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Are athletes athletes from the moment they're born?

What about astronauts or idols?

These things aren't decided at birth.

So then...

what about witches?

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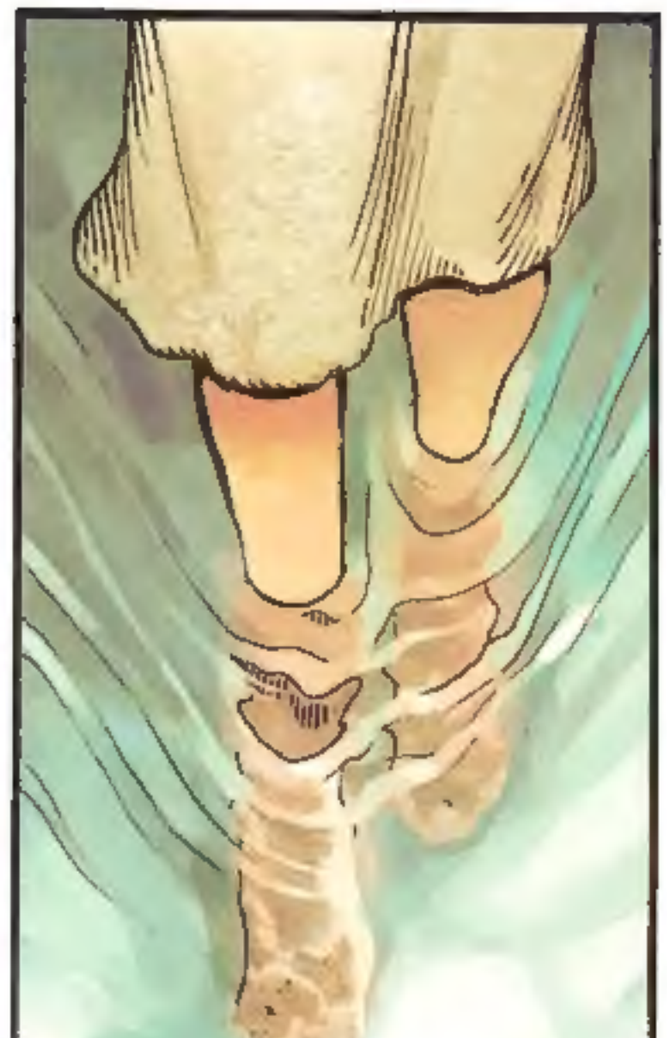

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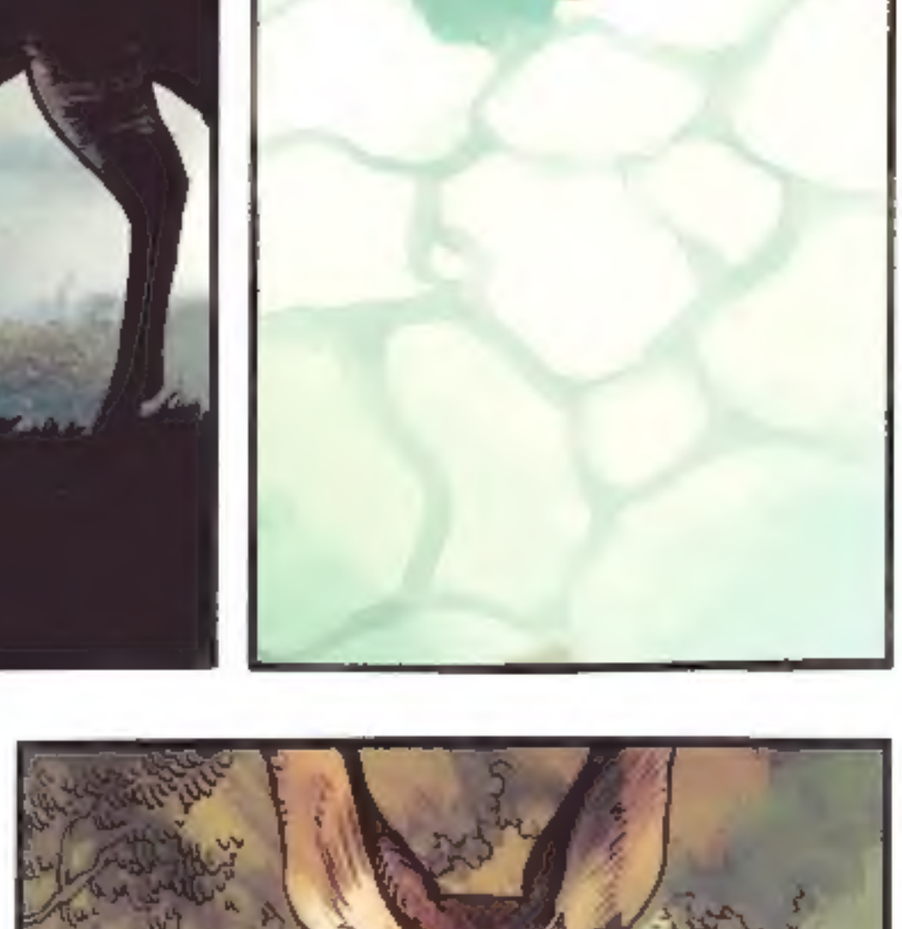
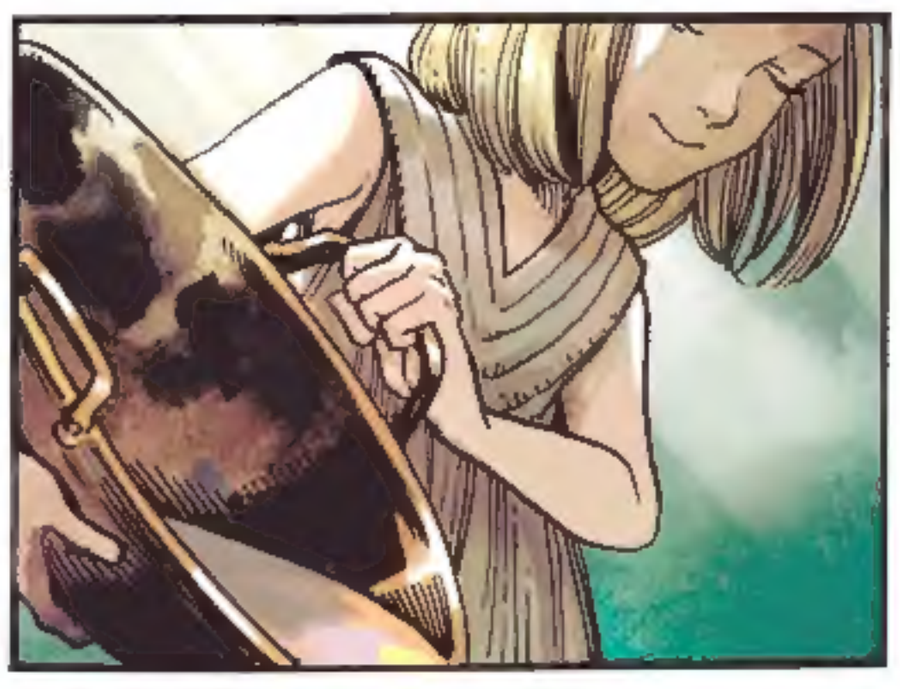




Oh!

Sorry about the mess.

SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB

whoa

ooooze

'cuz this spring has magic flowing through it!

It'll turn back in a sec

SHINE

Splish

Glow

It's so pretty no matter how many times I see it!

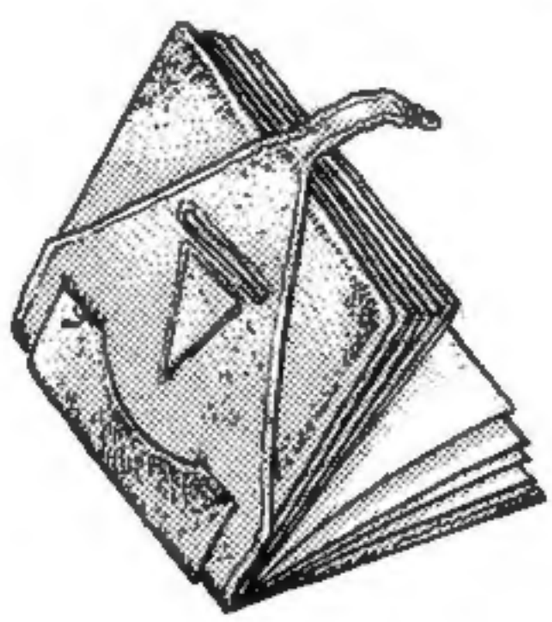
Magic is amazing!

Magic flows through the world, making life plentiful for us.

An indispensable, convenient miracle.

And how does it work?

I don't know...



Only witches know how to use magic.

Ordinary folk can only receive the blessing of magic.

They can't become witches.

glance

Must be nice...

to be born as a witch.

These freshly washed clean sheets...

...are now flying carpets!

FL AP

BLUSH

Shhh

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Oh!

BWOOOSH

No sudden gusts!

Eyaah!

Wah!

That's not what I meant by flying!

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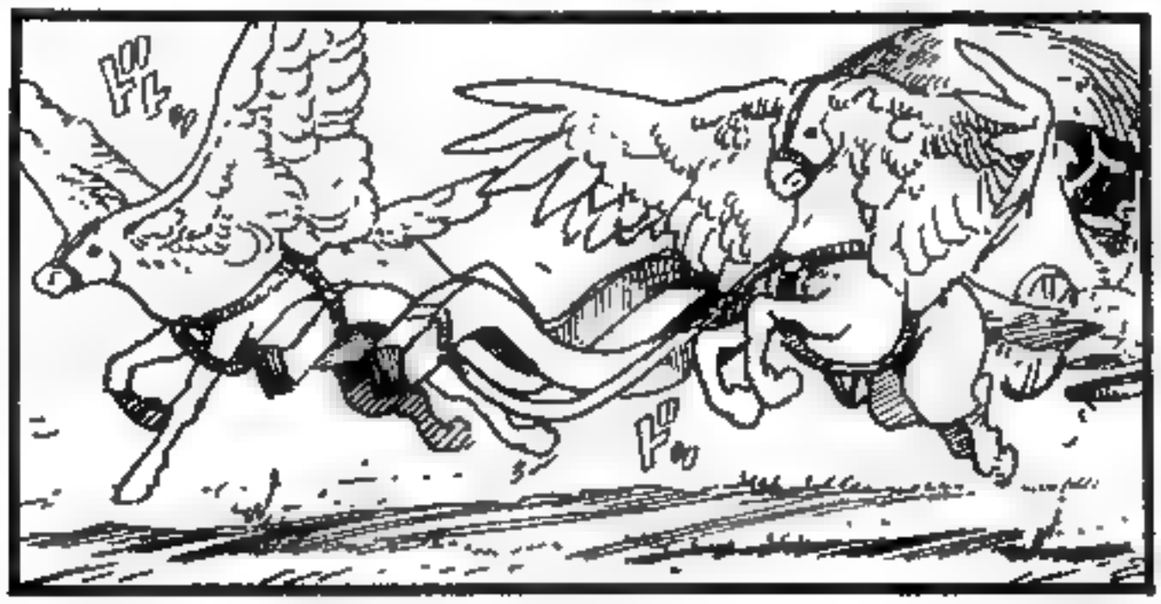
It's...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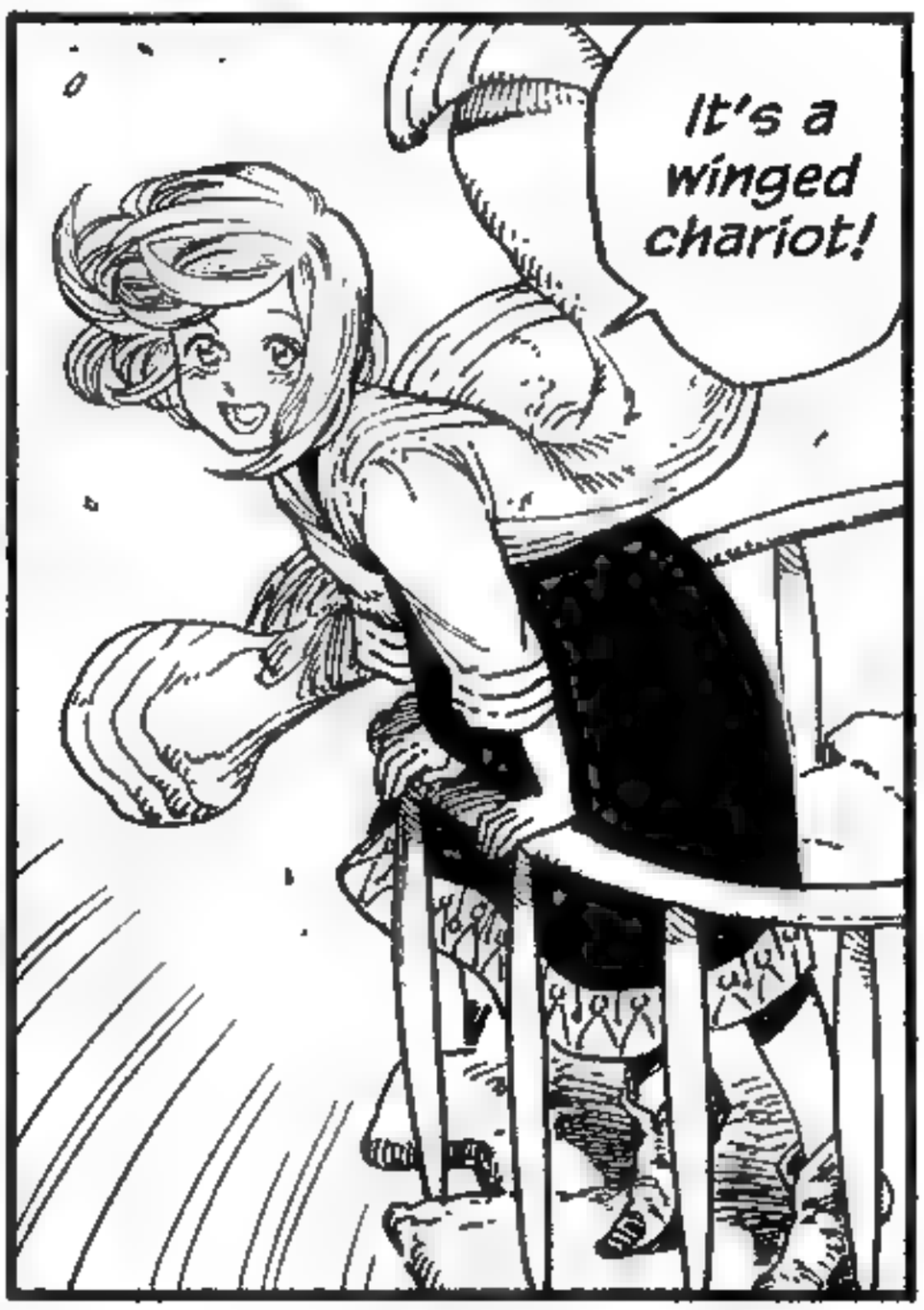
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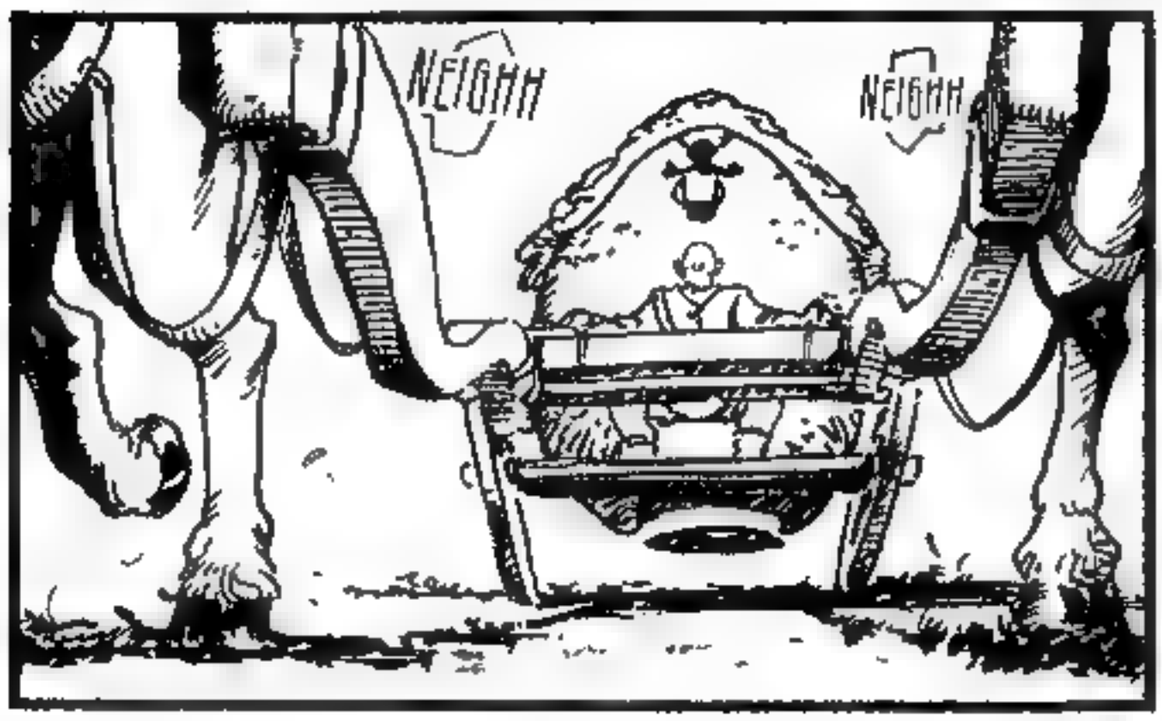
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NEIGHH

No way!
It landed in the village!

This is my first time seeing a winged chariot land!

Mom?
Oops.

Moo-oom!

Mom! A winged chariot landed outside!

I'm sorry! I didn't see you there.

Quite all right.

I'm sorry, too, for standing in front of your door.

Seems I've come at quite a busy time...

Look! This is Harian knitted lace!

Tidy trim just looks so much cleaner!

Isn't hanging lace just so passé?

The towns near the castle were out of stock in a flash!

WHOA AA

These customers came here in that winged chariot!

!

I'm so glad we bothered to take the winged chariot all the way out here!

Ah, I'm... not with them.

Even if you look at me like that.

...!

The country-side is great!

Coco!

Say, Mrs. Dress-maker, do you have any more of this lace?

Yes, coming!

If you're here, give me a hand!

And what'll you have, sir?

I'd like some smoke-colored cloth.

But if you're busy, I can come back later...

The measure-ments are written here

Wow.

Coco's very good at it!

You?

I can do the measure-ments.

Even if you break it, there's no witch to come and fix it!

No playing with the customers' things now, you hear?

I'll just look! Promise!

Can I go see the winged chariot when I'm done?

Hey, mom.

about wanting to become a witch!

And, like you asked me to, I won't even say a word...

....

Busy

Busy

Woo hoo!

Only if you finish work early!

Yeesh...

FL

AP

Inhale

Prick

Prick

Shp

Smooth

Whew

!

SHP

You have great concentration and a lot of skill.

Huh...

STARE

Wow, he's really looking!

R...Really close!

Now *this* is magic.

It's cut so accurately, not a blemish in sight.

To think there are such marvelous artisans in this village!

Magic is, you know!

More mysterious and sparkly!

It's got more to it. It's super pretty and it's more

Whaaat?! This is totally different!

more...

you know,

precious...

Will you tell me why?

You... really like magic, huh?

Oh, what am I saying!?

Oh man...

When I was little, my mom took me to a fair at the castle...

I bought a thin book from a witch in a mask.

A thin book?

Yes.

It looked handmade.

You there,

Why not buy a magic book?

I like picture books,

but what's "magic"?

Magic?

the miracle that colors the world.

Magic is...

the light on the pavestones at your feet,

is all magic!

The winged chariots soaring through the heavens,

the fresh waters of the Spring of Eternity,

Magic is amazing!

I love magic!

Right?! Right?! Buy now and get a free wand!

Woow! So pretty!

It's a magic picture book!

But it's so cool!

I gave you the money because you said you wanted to eat baked straw-berries...

So you bought it?

Look, look! The tip turns into a pen!

Comes with ink, too!

AWESOME!

It's...

And Mr. Witch, he gave me, um, a free wand!

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ヽ!ヽ!

ヽ!ヽ!

You can't.

ガーン

What?!

I'm gonna become a witch that uses magic to color the world!

When I grow up...

Normal folk don't have the makings of witches.

People don't become witches. They're born that way.

All right then, if the ground keeps lighting up all the way home...

then maybe you can use magic too, Coco.

But, but, look! The ground lights up where I walk!

I thought that thin book'd tell me how to use magic, but no such luck...

...

SIGH

I couldn't completely give up on it...

Ever since then, I guess all I could do was enjoy watching it.

at the castle fair...?

A witch selling a picture book

What a loud noise...

Guess it came from outside.

What was that?

Eek!

Whoa!

CRASH BOOM

Say, I wonder if you could tell me more about that...

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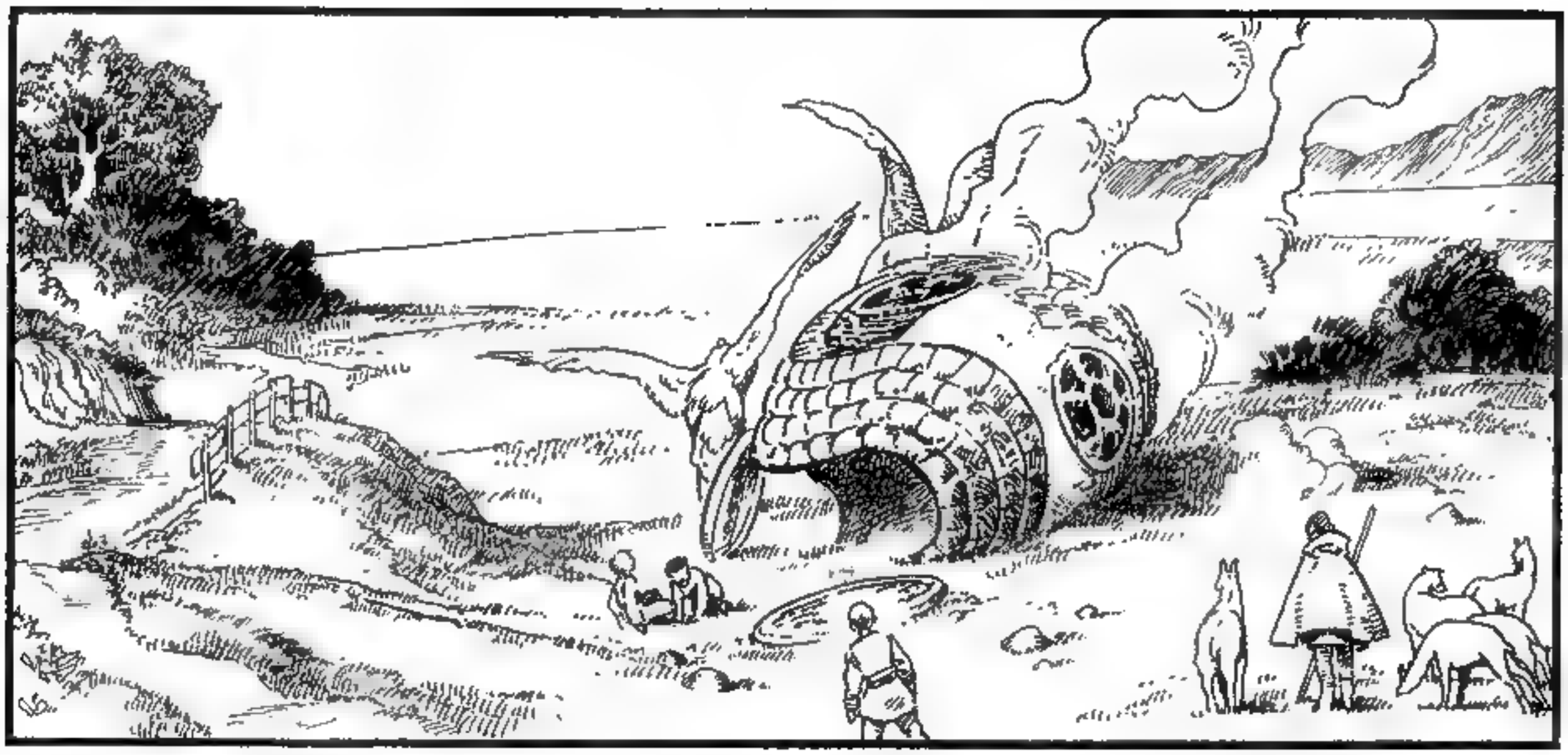

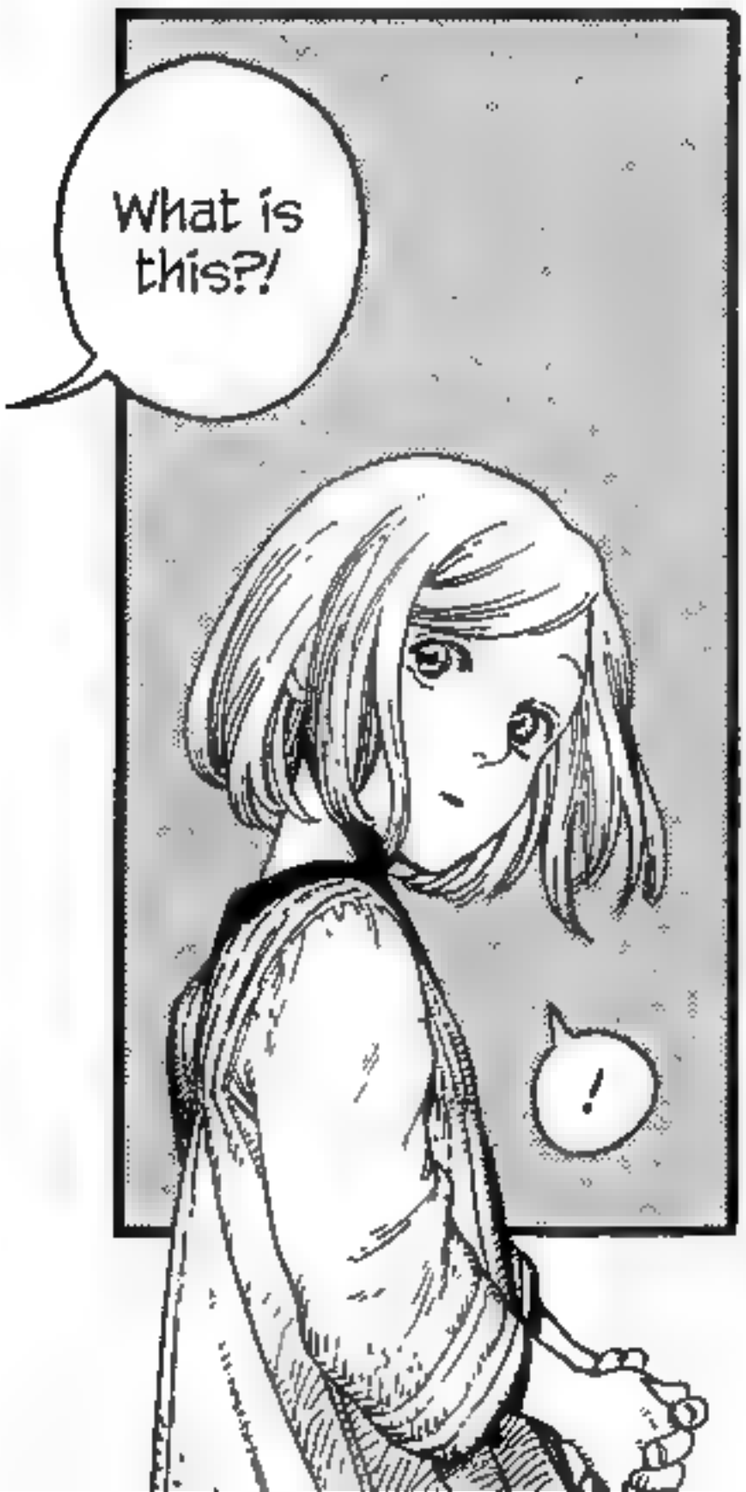
What is this?!
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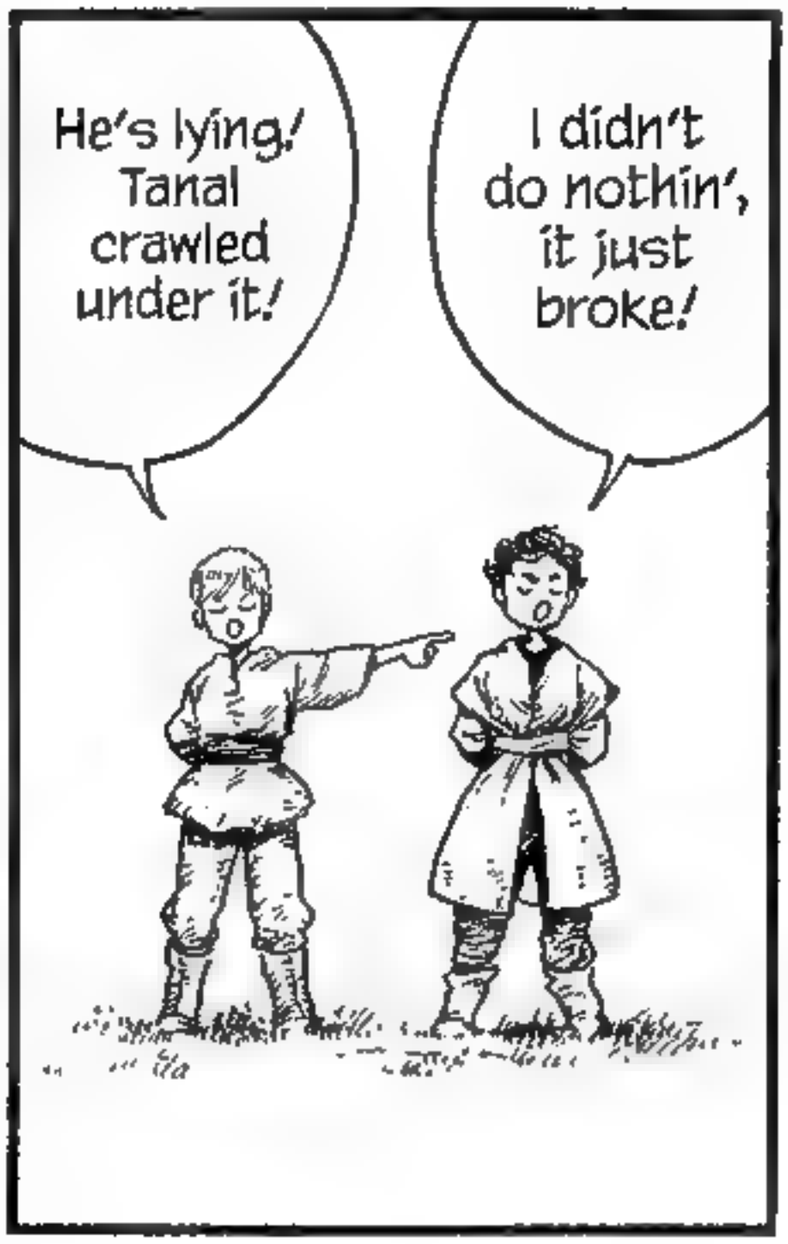
Then it fell over when you bumped your head on the bottom.
Tattle-tale!


He's lying! Tanal crawled under it!
I didn't do nothin', it just broke!

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?!

WE BORROWED IT FROM FATHER!

OUR WINGED CHARIOT!

Don't be absurd!

Big sister, they're probably trying to lock us up and steal all our money!

Your apology won't help us get back home!

The village kids are very sorry.

Our deepest apologies.

Shall I fix it?

Um...

Hold on!

And just who are you?!

It's not broken that badly.

I am Qifrey

the witch.

My apologies.

I forgot my trademark cap...

rustle rustle

Oh!

Coco!

Please, use our shop!

Although, I'd rather not do it outside...

I only have to recast the magic spell on the floor of the carriage.

A witch's hat! And you can fix the carriage?

That's some face you've got there.

Overflowing with desire...

COME ON, MOM!

Plus, then...

maybe I'll get to see...

Something this amazing is really rare!

But he's a *real* witch!

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the very moment he draws out the magic!

MY FACE JUST WON'T STOP GRIN-NING NO MATTER HOW I TRY!

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おおおおお

AHH! JEEZ! SO COOL!

THIS IS JUST TOO COOL!

...yes!

right?

Um...

Coco...

!!

I wonder if I could ask for one more favor.

Thank you for lending me your place. That's a huge help.

Would that be all right?

I'd like you to do just one more thing for me.

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so nobody peeks in when I'm drawing magic.

You mustn't let anyone in, no matter what.

Okay?

I want you to stand guard outside

But how come I'm not allowed to watch?

Life is so unfair...

My face is all worn out after all those expressions.

HEY! WHADDYA THINK YOU'RE DOING?!

Man, she caught us.

Relax, it's just Coco.

sneak...

There's so much magic in the world.

It's weird you're not supposed to see the moment it gets cast...

Ooo.

Whoosh!

Oh?

SEE TOO!

I WANT TO

I wonder if we can see inside if we open the skylight.

No, that's not fair! You sneaky rats...

Ooh, she climbed up.

Move over!

....

Aw, the curtains are shut.

That sucks. Let's go!

Eek!

Wh-What the?!

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...!!

PEEK

Oh, but...

I really want to!

I know I shouldn't!

But I shouldn't!

He's drawing.

I see...

Magic...

with a pen?!

he's drawing magic!

He isn't drawing magic from somewhere...

Um?

I'm done? Hello-ooo...?

KNOCK KNOCK

Okay,

Coco.

!

BA-BUMP

Thanks for your hard work?

...?

Coco?

It's flying!

Ohh!

It's so rare for you to ***not*** get all excited about magic.

Yeah...

Are you okay? I thought you wanted to see the winged chariot.

swish

H-HERE'S YOUR BAGS AND YOUR MERCHAN-DISE!

Guh

UMP

How was it, Coco?

I wanted to ask about that picture book in more detail...

Why the sigh, mom?

!

Whew!

you might say you wanted to leave together with that witch.

...I thought

I wouldn't say that, Mom!

I couldn't leave you by yourself!

Since your dad got sick and passed away, I just couldn't bear it if you left, too, Coco...

Thank you, Coco. You're a good girl.

Since I can't go, just let me try.

Sorry, mom.

There are lots of "patterns" drawn in the picture book.

And the pen wand I got as a freebie...

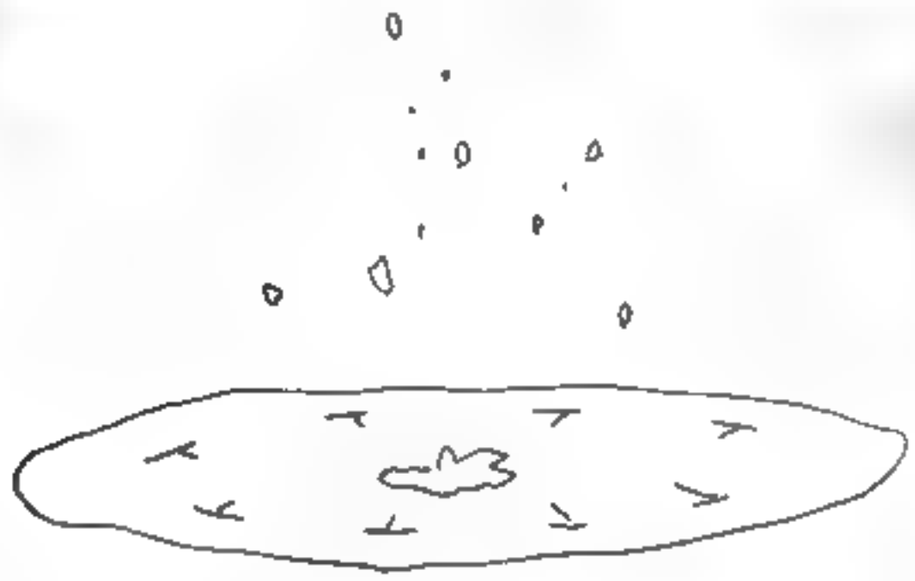
...wasn't any ordinary freebie.

The pen was a ***wand!***

Plip

Shake

Shake



Oh, what do I do?! I don't know what to do!

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It's magic, it's magic, real magic!

Woow, I really drew it!

Cool!

Light! I used magic!

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Just one more...

But one more time...

But I wonder if they'll get mad at me if they find out, since I'm not supposed to see it...

うーあう…

A picture book, huh?

That doesn't bode well.

Why sell a magic item to a child outside of the witch community?

It can't be...

OH NO! BURNING IS A NO-NO!

WAAAH! THAT WAS FIRE MAGIC!

That was dangerous.

I think I'm starting to get the hang of this!

But...

The neat ones last longer than the messy ones!

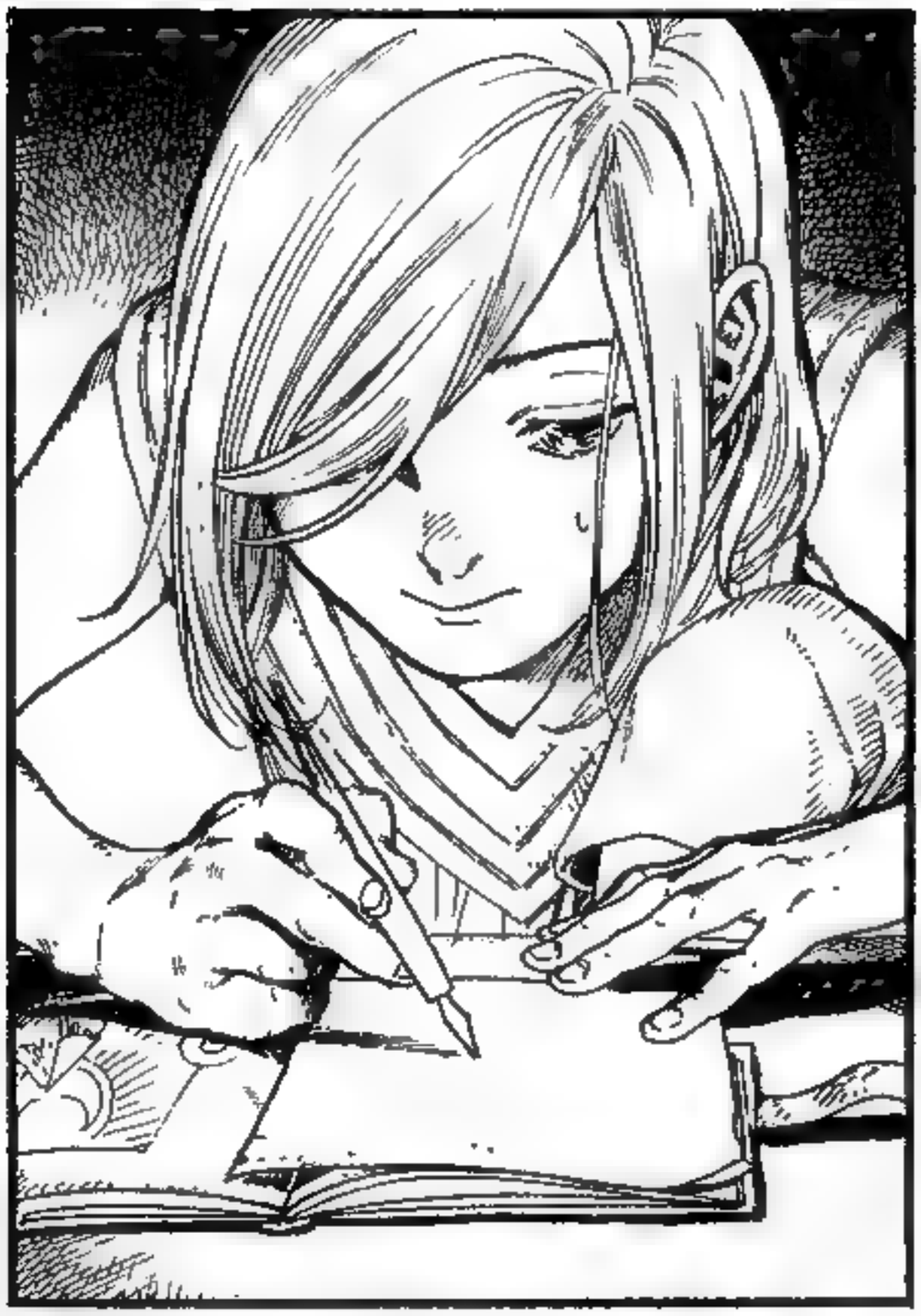
Ones drawn bigger are more powerful than the tiny ones.

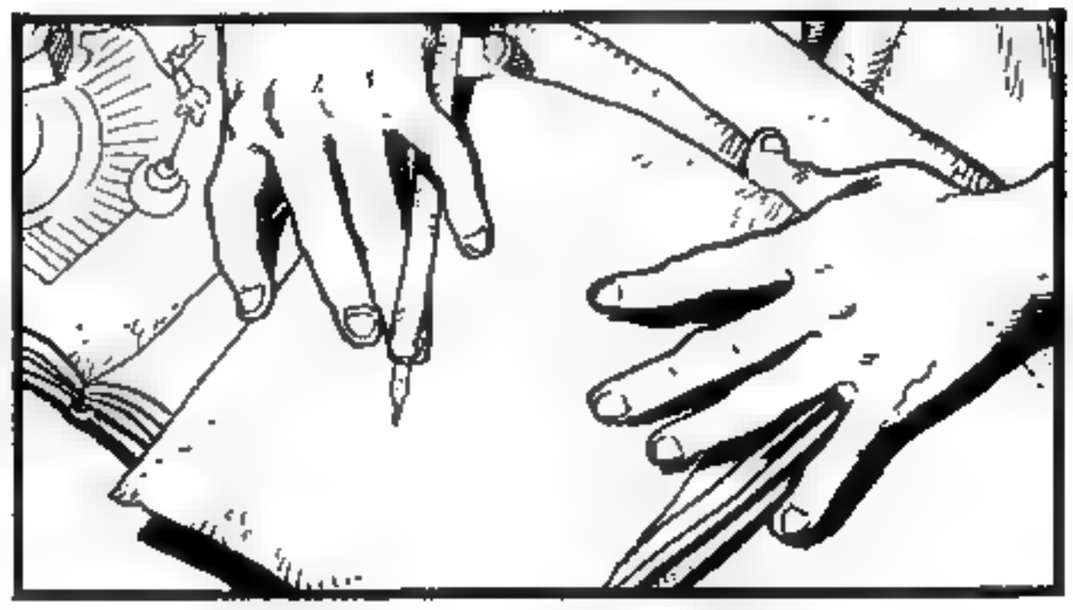
That's it!

Drawing it big and pretty is hard.

But that guy drew them so well...

Flap





If I put it under the light and
trace over it, I can draw it neatly.
I got this...

Done!

Wonder what kinda magic this i-

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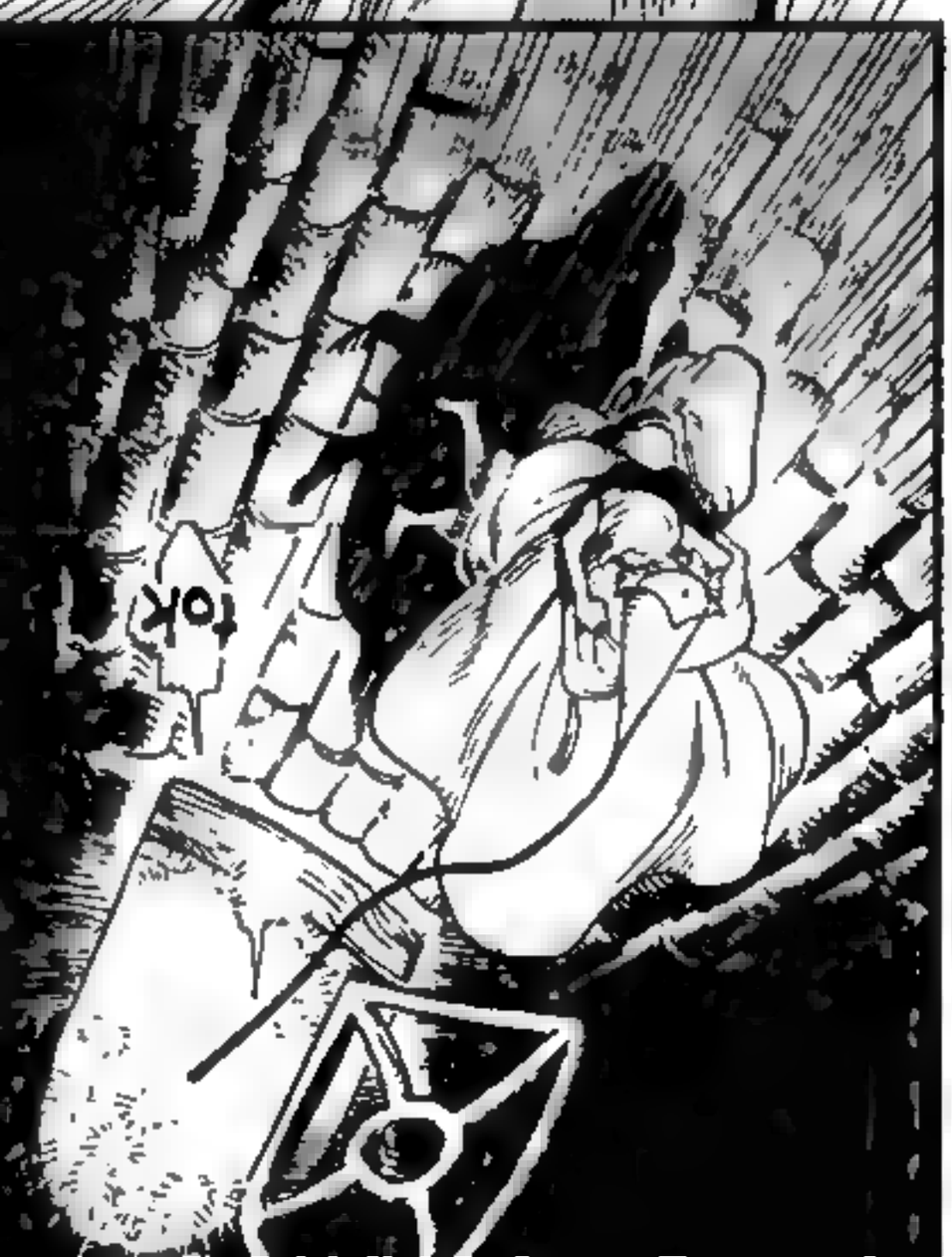
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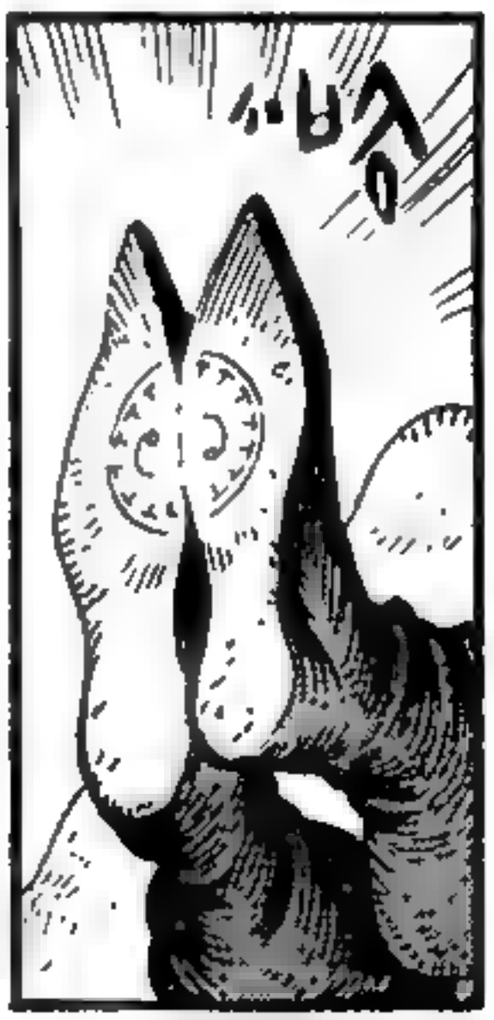
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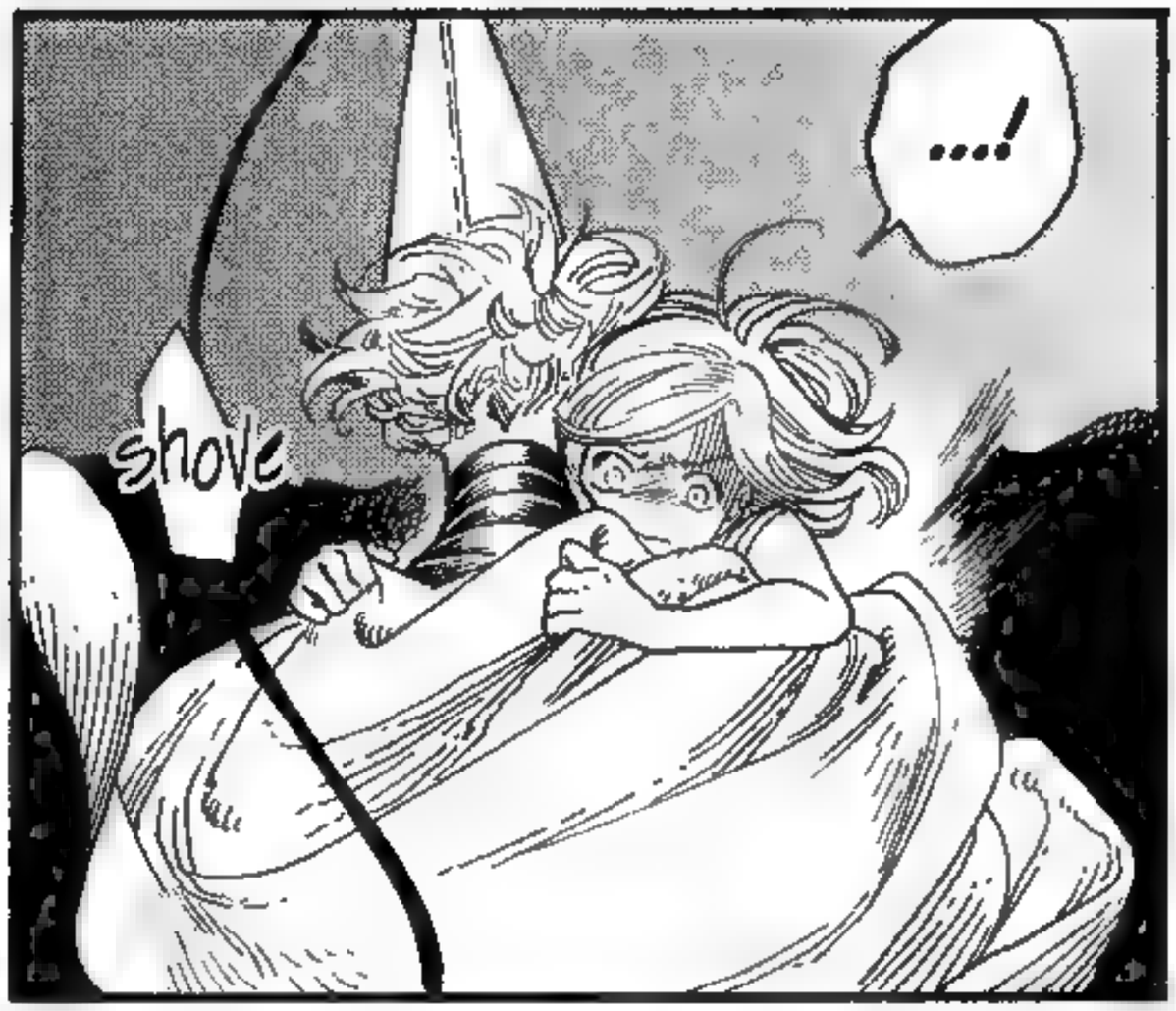
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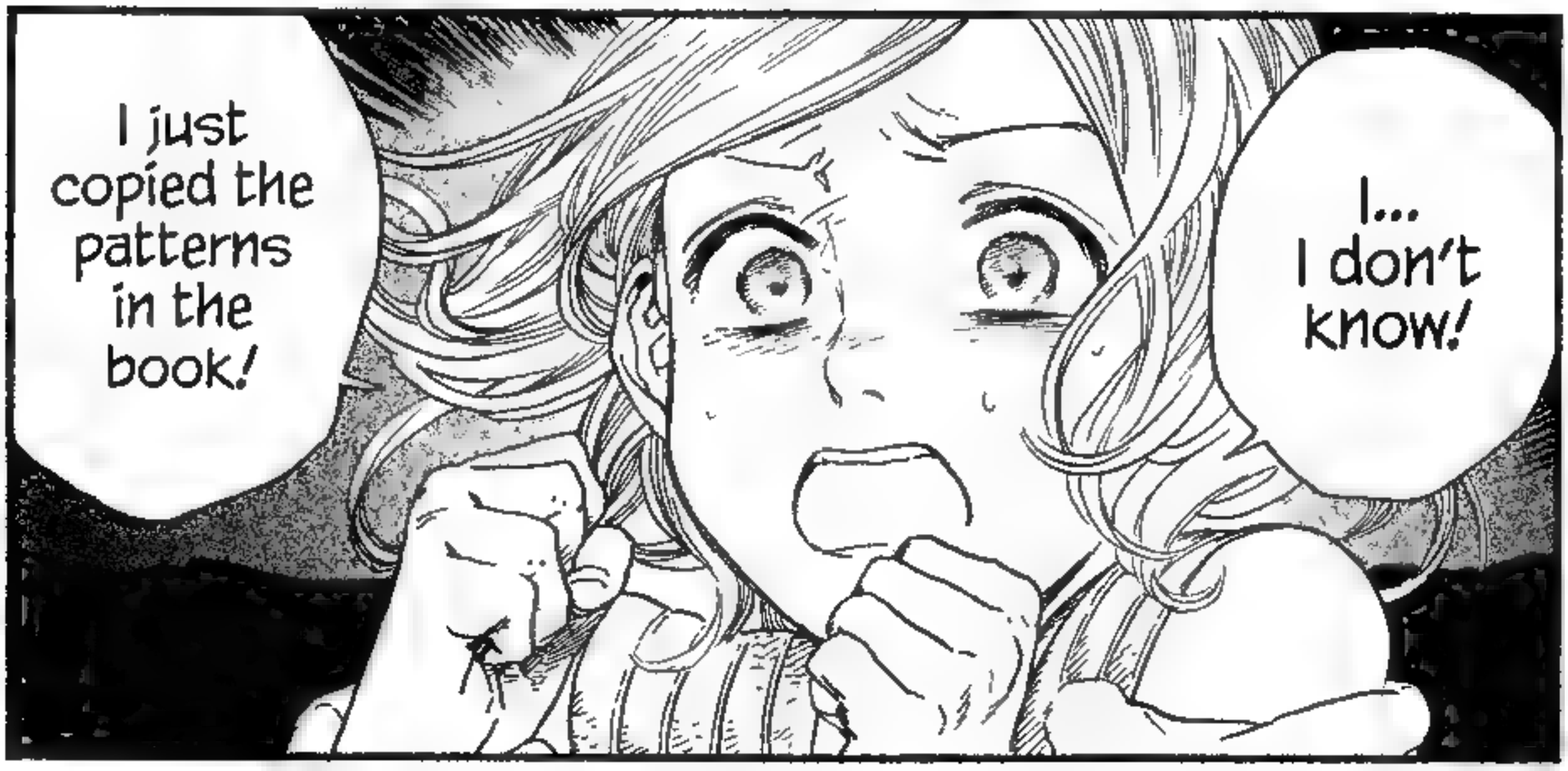
WHAT DID YOU DRAW, COCO?!


I just copied the patterns in the book!
I... I don't know!

Coco?

yes!

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The book?!

Is it still in the house?!

Oh!

Care-ful!

You'll fall!

Mom!

Coco!

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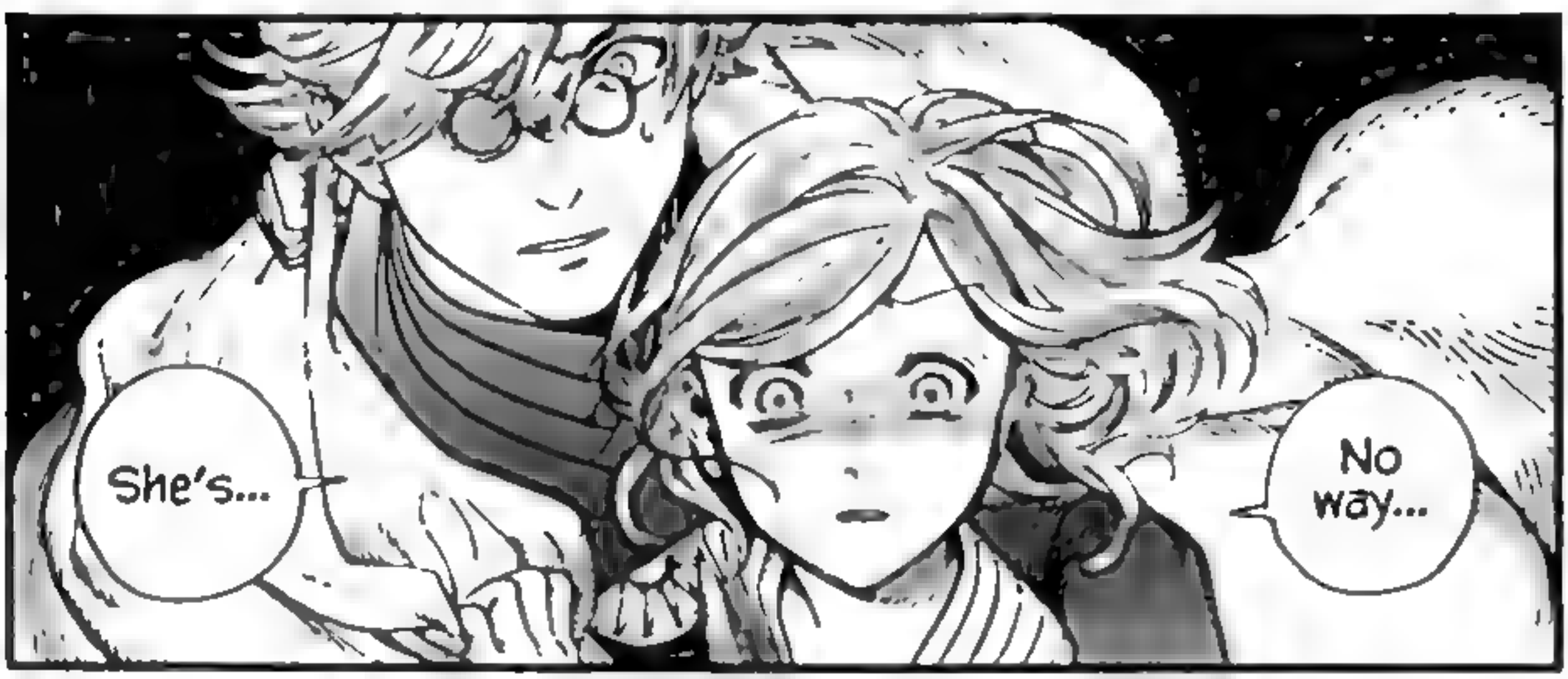
She's...
No way...

I didn't know what I was doing at all...

I'm s-so sorry...

Of course you didn't!

We hide our arts precisely so these things won't happen.

Mom!!

Any who hold them can use magic.

The special magic ink.

The chosen magic glyphs.

We witches absolutely must keep this secret.

I have to erase your memory.

You know too much.

Or you'll fall!

EYAA AAH! LET ME GOO OO!

H-hold on!

Quit mon-keying around!

Urgh!

THEN WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN TO MOM?!

BUT IF I FOR-GET,

The picture book!

But I could tell you everything in the picture book like it was the back of my hand!

WHAM

BAM

WHAM

If I figure out what glyph it was, then I might know how to reverse it,

but if you don't remember, then... *ouch!* Ow!

Then if I erase her memory

I'll lose my only lead.

If that book is, as I fear, one of "theirs"...

GASP

If we find the same book with the same magic glyphs...

Nnnngh

Which pages had drawings on them?

You remember what kind of book it was, yes?

and be able to save mom?

Then could we understand the original magic glyph

Mr. Qifrey!

It may be possible.

PLEASE, I'LL DO ANY-THING!

IF I CAN JUST SAVE MOM, I'LL DO ANY-THING!

PLEASE DON'T ERASE MY MEMORY!

I SWEAR I'LL FIND THAT BOOK!

To... learn?

You have the will to learn?

Of course!

You'll protect the secret?

This is the only way I can safely leave your memory intact.

then I'll have you become one who keeps it a secret.

If I can't erase the truth that you now know,

You are now on your way

Coco.

to becoming a witch.

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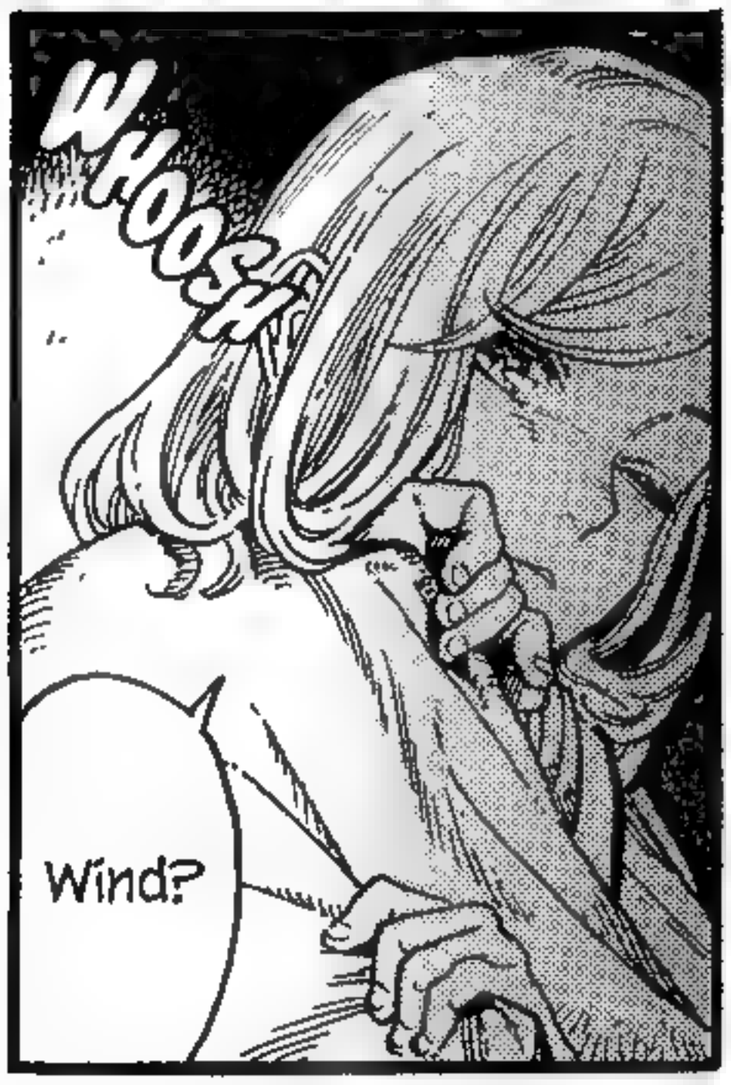
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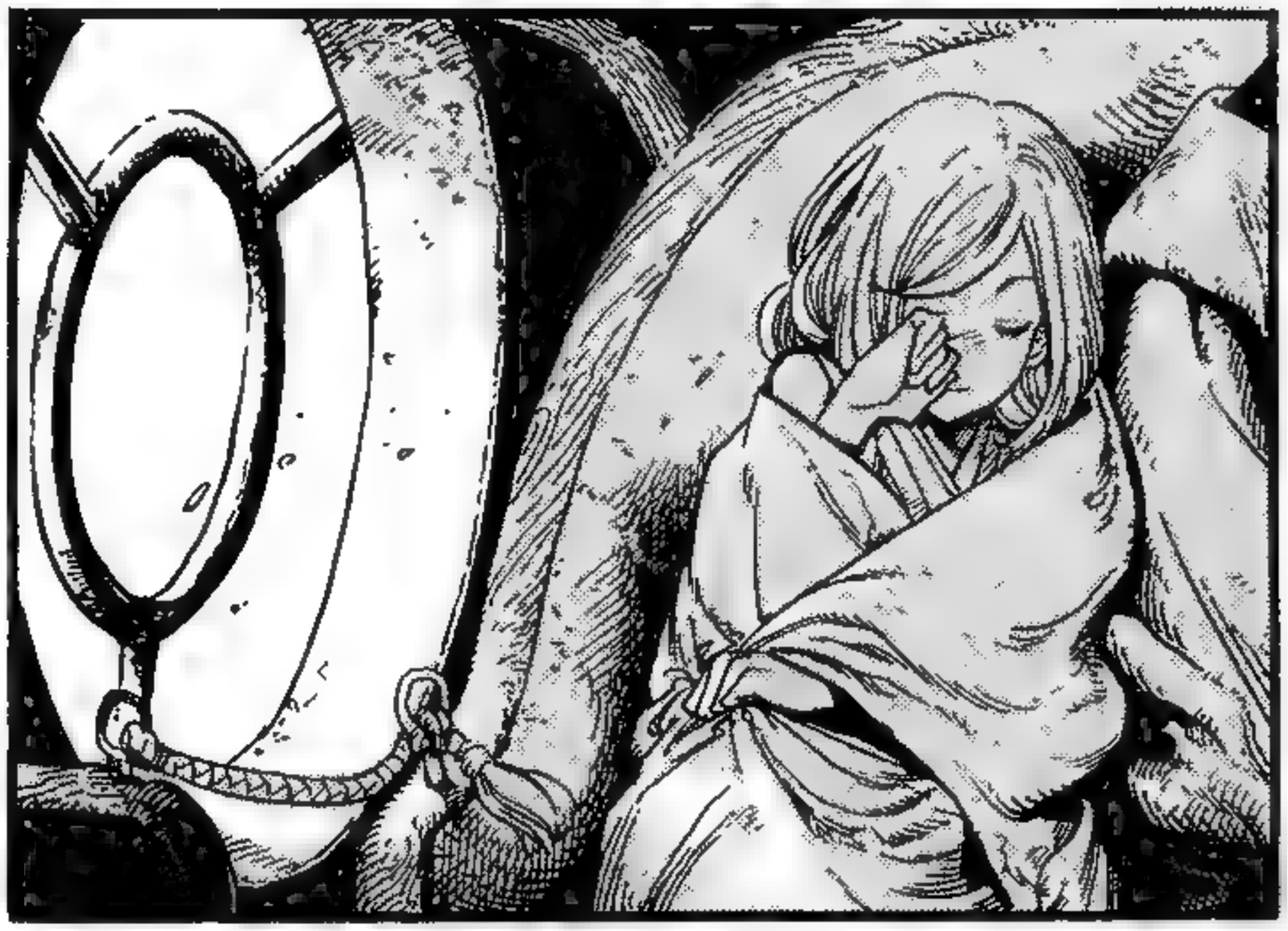
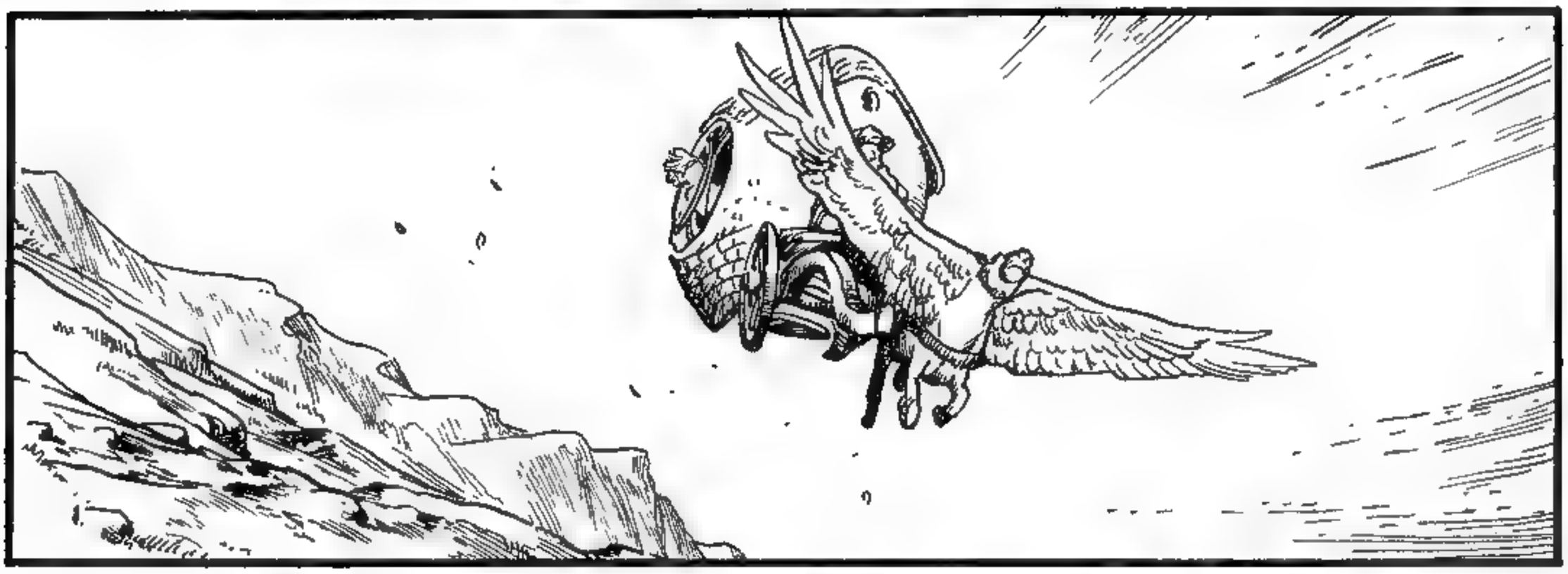
Wind?





Must've been cold in your nightgown up here in the sky.
But we'll be there soon.

You're awake? I called a winged chariot for-hire.

Look, you can see it now.

My atelier,

and your schoolhouse.

Chapter 2

...stopping anyone from entering that house, fossilized by unknown magic.

They should grow quickly and perform their duty for us...

I scattered gatekeeper thorn seeds around your house.

Coco?

So...

Of course, you can't go back, either.

Mom...

What's wrong?

I...

How could I leave her behind?

I promised I wouldn't...

Here, wash your face.

You didn't know what would happen.

You mustn't blame yourself.

Coco...

Once you've washed away your tears, lift your chin up and have a look!

Because this is where you'll be living from now on.

?

It's water.

?

Um... This is?

BLUB

Oh!

Umm... but it's floating in a ball...

Com-pletely slipped my mind!

Can I have a bucket or some-thing?

Wait, how do I use this thing?

Huh?!

I'll get you a change of clothes!

Mr. Qifrey?

Don't be scared!

I'm scared to touch magic...

that I don't know anything about.

It's easy magic to work with.

My name's Tetia. Want me to show you how to use it?

You tilt the plate at the bottom, and it becomes a spout.

It's magic that draws moisture from the air.

This is a waterdrop buoy.

Glub Glub Glub

TMP

Huh?

Oh, thank you!

Wow, that's amazing!

Thank you!

So thank you!

I love it when people thank me!

It's best not to humor her...

How long is this gonna go on?

Likewise, thanks for thanking me!

O-oh, really? Thanks...

Whoo!

You're awful, Riche!

I was just showing her the ropes.

"Leave her be"...

If you don't reply, she'll eventually quiet down...

When Tetia gets noisy, just leave her be...

Oh.

We're apprentices!

Professor Qifrey's students!

Are you both witches?

Pens and ink.

Magic tools?

What atelier are you from?

We're about the same age, right?

Aren't you one, too?

I thought you were an apprentice, same as us.

After all, the first time I drew magic was just yesterday...

Anyway, I'll be staying with you from today on.

I can't say that I'm an apprentice yet, I guess...

Oh?

What?

.....

We heard rumours...

Am I who?

are you... *her?*

No way...

...but didn't get her memory erased and was accepted as an apprentice.

One of the unknowing used forbidden magic...

Mr. Qifrey...

Are you okay?

DUMP

Coco.

Okaay!

Riche, Tetia, could you perhaps wait outside for just a bit?

Agete isn't here?

In the not so distant past, magic wasn't anything unusual.

Don't be afraid.

Let me explain.

As such, magic was something more familiar

To draw magic, one has only ever needed a combination of the right shapes

and special ink.

Some-thing that anyone, anywhere could use.

But because of that...

....war after war broke out.

The few "witches" left with good sense who were opposed to wars conspired together and came up with a plan.

We drew countless horrible, disgusting forms of magic.

If a power with unlimited potential exists, then it is only human to use it to do anything.

...and only took on apprentices who could protect the secret of magic.

They snatched away the memories of magic from the minds of the people...

If the truth became known to the world,

then we would return to those days of lawless madness.

Since "The Day of Conspir-acy,"

we made people believe that magic could only be used by certain people.

because everyone is so vigilantly protecting the secret.

I'm sorry.

The rumors about you have also spread

GRIP

But, there's something else I'd like to know about...

No, it's my own fault.

What is "forbidden magic"?

Magic that injures humans.

It's magic drawn during the wars that was forbidden by "The Day of Conspiracy"...

SHOOP

I want to learn everything I can about magic!

Teach me, please!

Teach me about forbidden magic...

Teach me every-thing!

I'm too scared like this.

If I don't know anything,

I can't do anything!

Here, come with me.

Normally, I'd tell you not to be in a rush, but that's a hard thing to say to you.

There are so many forbidden magic spells that I couldn't tell you about all of them...

...but there is basically one simple rule.

...is absolutely forbidden at all times.

Casting magic upon the human body itself...

Transforming the body or altering one's age, for example.

Or instantly teleporting without the use of doors or vehicles.

Tampering with thoughts or emotions,

injuring, or healing...

Magic that erases memories?

There is just one exception, however.

Spot on.

Wow...

Like winged chariots

or lamps.

Most magic is used on tools.

Swish

Swish

Or this...

...window, for in-stance.

But there was a hill here just a second ago...

A LAKE ?!

Can you see that faraway building?

It's a gate window.

It's connected to other circular windows of the same design.

It's the Tower of Books.

To safeguard wisdom, the instant any book related to magic is ever written, it is reproduced there.

LET'S GO! I WON'T REST UNTIL I FIND IT!

Wait.

RIPPLE

Then the picture book will be there, too!

!

SPLASH

And *that's* the Librarian's Test.

CRANK

?!

So first you must study in order to enter the tower.

The Tower of Books is guarded by The Four Librarians.

Only witches who pass their test may enter.

It made me happy when you said you wanted to learn earlier.

Coco.

It's only natural to be scared,

but...

CLANK CLANK

Other than the forbidden spells,

the world is simply full of magic that exists to make people happy.

If you're going to learn magic,

then I hope you'll learn more about those kinder, gentler magic spells.

I will!

Pro-fessor Qifrey!

How do you fancy that?

Well.

BWOF

Good!

Then next I'll show you your room...

Guess we'd better clean this up first, huh?

This will be your room.

Your room-mate.

Agete?

Looks like Agete isn't back yet.

There's a lock, so you can rest easy.

Sleeping quarters are separate. They're down the inner stairs.

These workspaces are two to a room, you see.

I've got some things to do, so just call me if you need me.

You should rest a little.

CLICK CLICK CLICK

It's me, Qifrey.

SHW!

Rustle

Yes.

Right. The matter of the picture book is still...

She's all in a tizzy right now, so it's unclear.

No, rather, we should be delighted

Thank you very much for giving me permission to make Coco my disciple.

Indeed,

it would be quite worrisome if she was scared of it...

because her eyes still sparkle for magic when she sees it.

have her face that forbidden magic sooner or later.

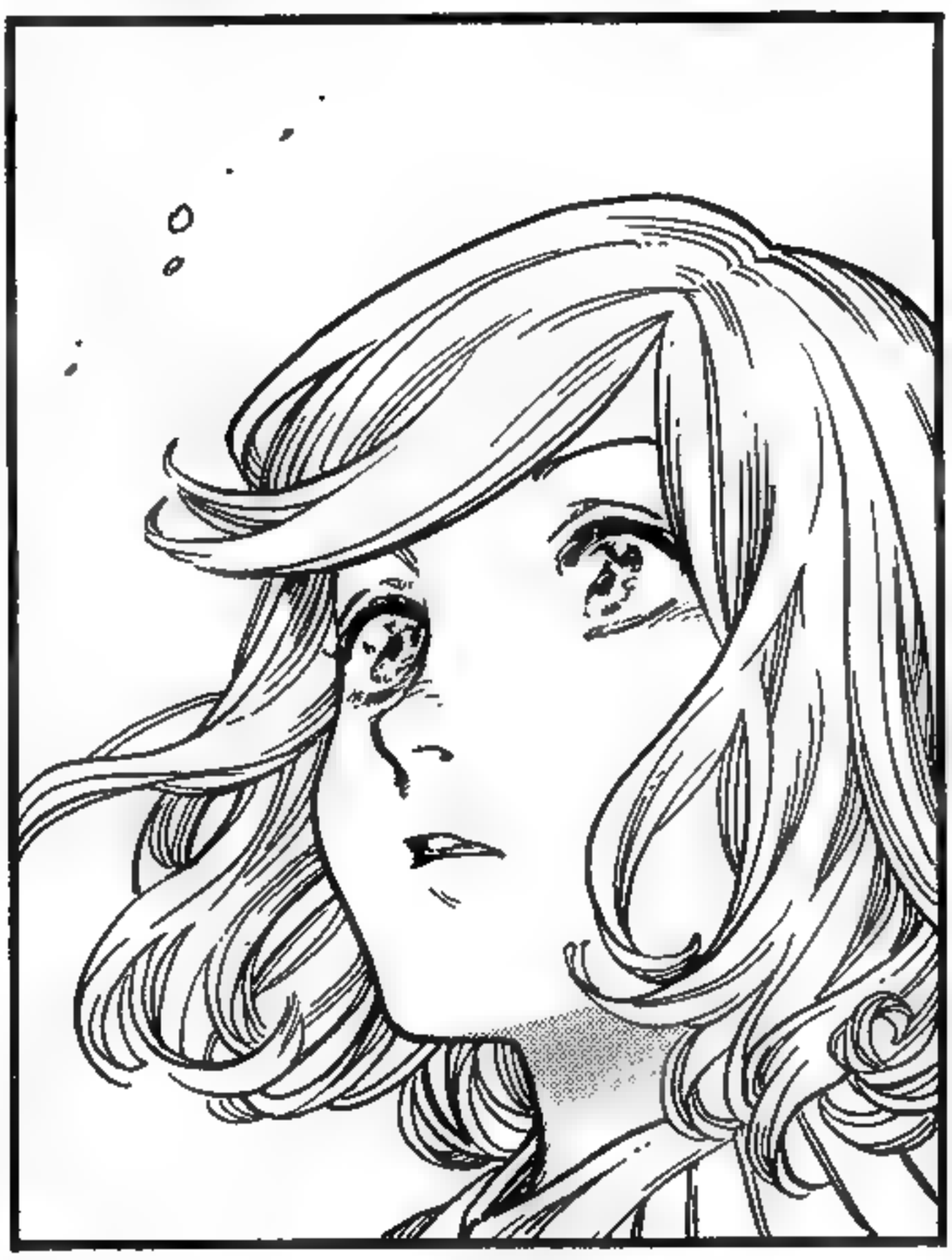
because we'll have to

That's my desk.

...is the room of a witch, huh?

So this...

I'm landing.
Move.



I'm Coco...

You must be Agete, right?

I know.

Oh! Sorry!

The unknowing one that everyone's talking about.

I heard you're the new sister apprentice.

Th-thank you...

It's your fault.

It's a pity what happened to your mother.

!

she'll never be human again.

!

so I can save her...

I came here to become a witch

FWISH

Don't say that like it's easy.

Grip

I passed the test and then finally became an apprentice.

It was only after that was I allowed to enroll.

For as long as I can remember, I've been drawing glyphs. I've been doing it so long my fingers are stained black.

can't hope to compare.

An unknowing girl like you

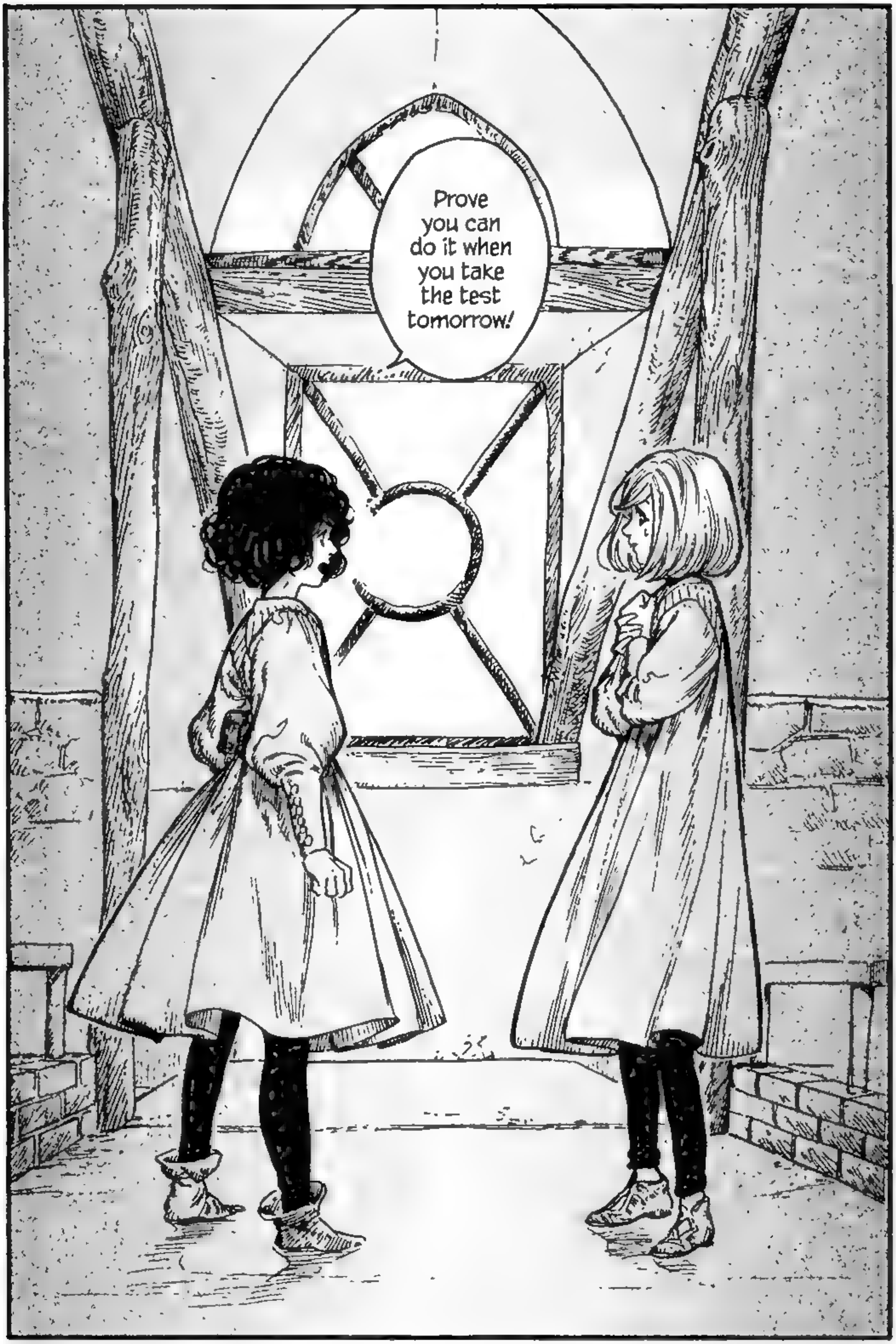
SO I WON'T KNOW UNLESS I TRY!

I WAS ABLE TO DRAW MAGIC BEFORE!

But I...

Then...

prove it!



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Chapter 3

FLUSH...

Sorry. It's all yours.

Are you still in there?

Coco?

knok knok

It vanished into the abyss...

It...

Say, Tetia...

Are all magical toilets like that?

Mor-ning, Coco!

Good morning.

Magical items?

Yeah, most of the magical items are in the big towns, I suppose...

but no houses had anything like that, so this is my first time seeing one.

There was a magic spring near my village,

Oh.

Pomf

Oh, sorry! I've got errands to do...

I'll lend you a book, and you can read all about it!

If you don't mind, can you tell me more?

"Tools that have had magic cast on them...

are called magical items."

However, only witches can create them, so they fetch a high price at market.

They are highly coveted as even those who are not witches can use them.

Ah... a test?

"It is forbidden to create magical items until after one becomes a disciple by taking and passing the witch test."

The test you have to take to become a disciple...

Is this the test that Agete was talking about?

Eep!

What's not written there?

SLAM

But there's nothing specific written here about the test or what it involves...

What's this?

Books are no replace-ment for hands-on learning!

There's lots about magic you won't find written in books.

Tools for drawing magic.

Your supplies.

Mortar
Used to grind ingredients that are mixed with the magic ink when casting special magic.
Magic Wand
The nib of this otherwise apparently normal pen is changed often.
Sap Wand
Made of hardened sap. Although it can draw directly on trees or rocks, it will rub off easily.
Magic Circle Notebook
A magic glyph notebook that you can use in the palm of your hand. Convenient when you want to secretly hide what you write.
Magic Ink
Only ink made from a special base known as "sap" can be used for magic

the free wand I got.
just like

S-SO COO OOL!
I love it! So much!
Wo ooo o
TREMBLE
TREMBLE

Oh, this is...

It was like he wanted me to use forbidden magic.

The witch I met at the festival...

Truth is, I'm still a little scared but...

Well, give it a go, Coco.

Mom... I'll turn you back no matter what!

O... Okay!

A little while later...

K.O.

...thing about using Ginrin of Zoza or Juket is that within the item...

I FELT LIKE I WAS GOING TO DROWN...

JUST... A SEA OF WORDS I DIDN'T KNOW.

BUT THAT FELT LIKE...

Ummooo

Want to take a break?

Are you okay, Coco?

I... I'M FINE.

Sorry. This is my first time teaching a student who has no background whatsoever in magic.

See if you can correctly explain back to me what you've understood so far.

All right, Coco.

Uh-huh!

O-OK...

Let's see...

The center is the "rune".

The line drawn around that is the "keystone mark".

The circle around those two is called

Umm... Hmm. Uh...

the "glyph"

Magic is composed of three elements.

Light rune

Wind rune

The type of rune- fire, water, light, or wind- determines what kind of magic will form.

Fire rune

Water rune

The keystone mark establishes what form the magic will take, as well as size and direction.

Pillar keystone mark

Float keystone mark

Diffusion keystone mark

But you were able to explain it!

And that's all I can remember...

Wobble

Wobble

Then at the end you enclose it all in a circle to complete the glyph,

and you've got magic!

If you understand it, you can master it.

When you master it...

Sush

Sush

Things you have memorized may soon fade,

but words you've understood and spoken soak into your very body.

You can do this sort of thing, too.

.....

Great! That's the spirit!

I'm gonna give it a go!

I...

Whee

Scratch Scratch Scratch

?!

Crumpl

I CAN'T BEAR TO SEE MINE NEXT TO THAT BEAUTIFUL FLOWER MADE OF WATER!

SO BAD...

THE LINES ARE ALL SHAKY AND MESSY!

Swipe

No throwing it away!

No! No!

It's awful!

AUGH! IT'S SO BAD!

No magic will form if there's a break like this.

See, look here. The glyph isn't completely closed.

It's only natural. You're just starting out.

But there are elements that you should pay more attention to.

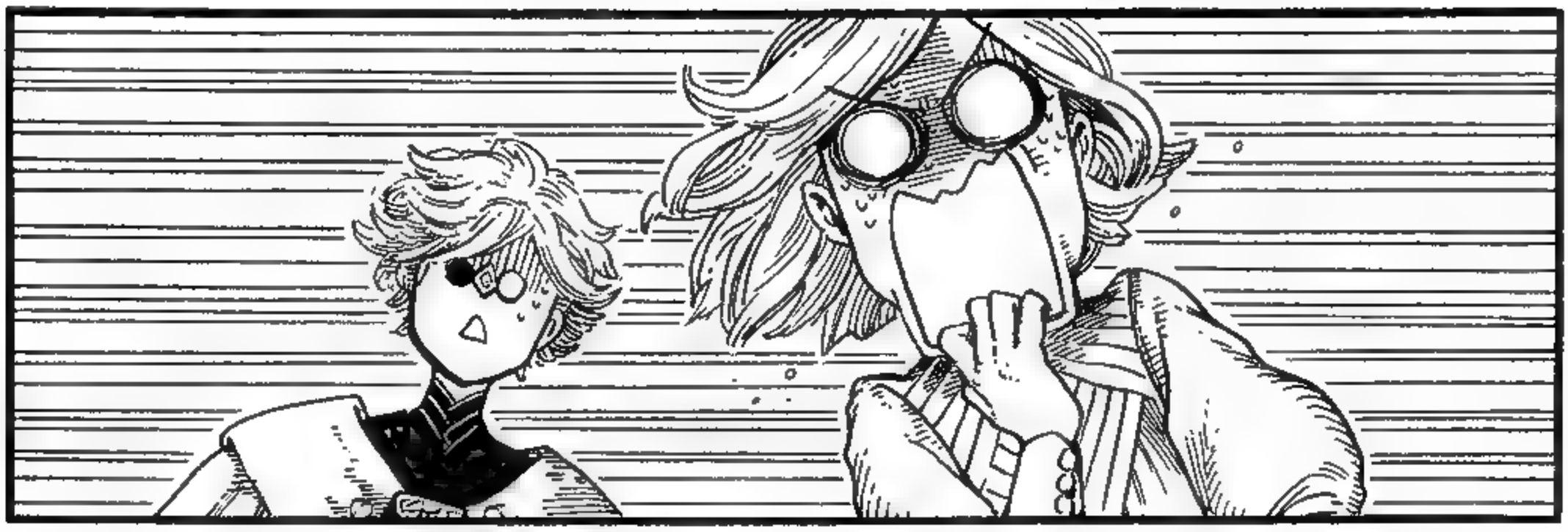
But you'll get used to them soon enough and be galloping around freely!

People's hands are always unsteady when they first use a new tool.

Like a newborn horse that's trying to stand up for the first time.

BWSH

So connect the line and see what kind of magic f-



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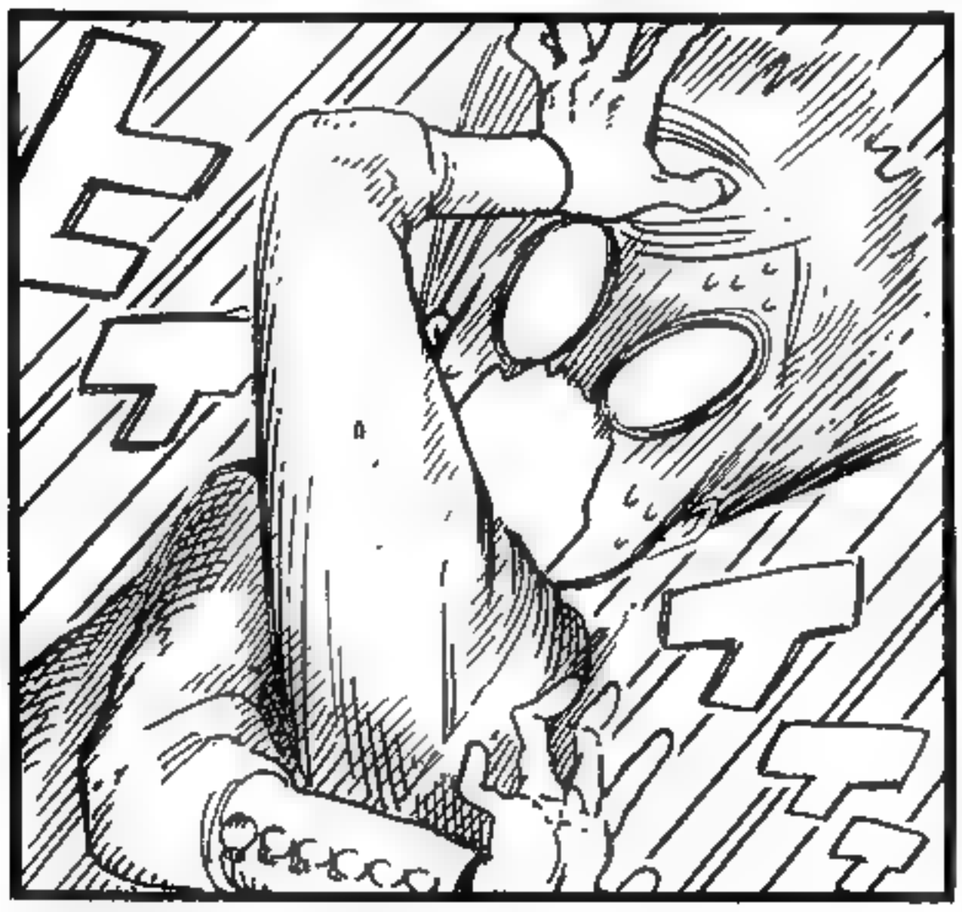
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SORRY! I'M SO SORRY!
THAT WASN'T ON PUR-POSE!
Spin
Spin
S-
Spin
Spin
Spin

Calm down, Coco.

Sorry, Agete. Are you all right?

I'LL DRY IT!

I'm sorry!

Actually, could I please take a look at Coco's glyph?

Oh. Sure.

I don't mind.

I'm fine, Professor.

Yeah. This is why.

Look.

This keystone mark is longer than the rest.

That's what caused the water to shoot out from this side.

Looks like I can safely leave Coco in your hands, Agete.

Good.

A very precise analysis.

Splendid.

Here, a towel.

Please look after Coco while I'm away.

I'm going to be away for two or three days at the Witch Auditorium.

What?!

Profes-sor...

Wait, please! I...

Tap Tap

You can learn a lot from your sister disciples.

Watch Agete and study hard, Coco.

Shiver

Now, Coco.

I said I don't mind.

Stop apolo-gizing.

Um... I'm really sorry, I...

The time for halfhearted studies is over.

Um... Already?!

Your test begins!

Why bother having stairs when nobody uses them?

?!

?

?

thd

...you problem child.

It's been a long time since you set foot on the "seafloor"

That was a long time ago, Alaira.

Already? Rumor travels fast.

We'll see about that...

Seems like you're still trying to cause trouble, eh?

I hear you have a new disciple!

Well, it might be connected, right?

...To the Brimmed Hat Group.

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That's not the only reason.

!

It's been four years since forbidden magic was last used.

This is an important clue... one you would want to keep close at hand, hm?

It's too soon, and the timing is bad.

What? She hasn't?

She hasn't taken the test, so she's not a proper disciple yet.

is at its highest elevation for the year.

Oh, that's right. In this season, the Dada Mountains test site...

It could cost her her life.

I can't have her take the test right now.

Hey...

The professor isn't even here...

You take the test alone no matter when you take it, anyway.

Are we really doing this, Agete?

Oh...

I passed when I was ten.

Everyone does this to become a disciple.

But I only just got here...

You must get to the top of the Dada Mountains without help from anyone and bring back the crown plant that grows there.

The first test is "The King's Permission".

The only things you're allowed to take with you are three magical items and your magic supplies.

It's a galaxy! That's a very precise form of magic. It's impossible to move.

WAIT, YOU MEAN I COULD EVEN BRING THAT TOILET THEN?!

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You can only bring magical items that are used in the household.

Oh... what about your shoes?

My shoes?

I guess that's about all you can use.

A magic compass that points to your destination, a waterdrop buoy to use for drinking water...

Fidget
Fidget
Fid
Fidget
Fidget
So...
if you don't mind...
et
dget
Fidg
The soles lit up when you and Professor Qifrey flew.
Those shoes are magical items, right?
.....
Fid
I WONDER IF I COULD BORROW THEM...
?
get
Here.
!
SORRY THAT WAS PUSHY OF ME!
JUST FORGET I ASKED!

THUD

So hurry up and go already!

Shove

Oh! Thank y-

You can borrow them.

Thrust

You only get one try at this test.

I forgot to mention...

and you'll be forced to leave the atelier.

If you fail, Professor Qifrey can't recognize you as his disciple,

shoom

But I have to do my best.

I can't back out now!

Suddenly I don't feel quite so brave anymore...

RUSTLE

tap tap

then it can't be too har-

tap tap

The magic com-pass...

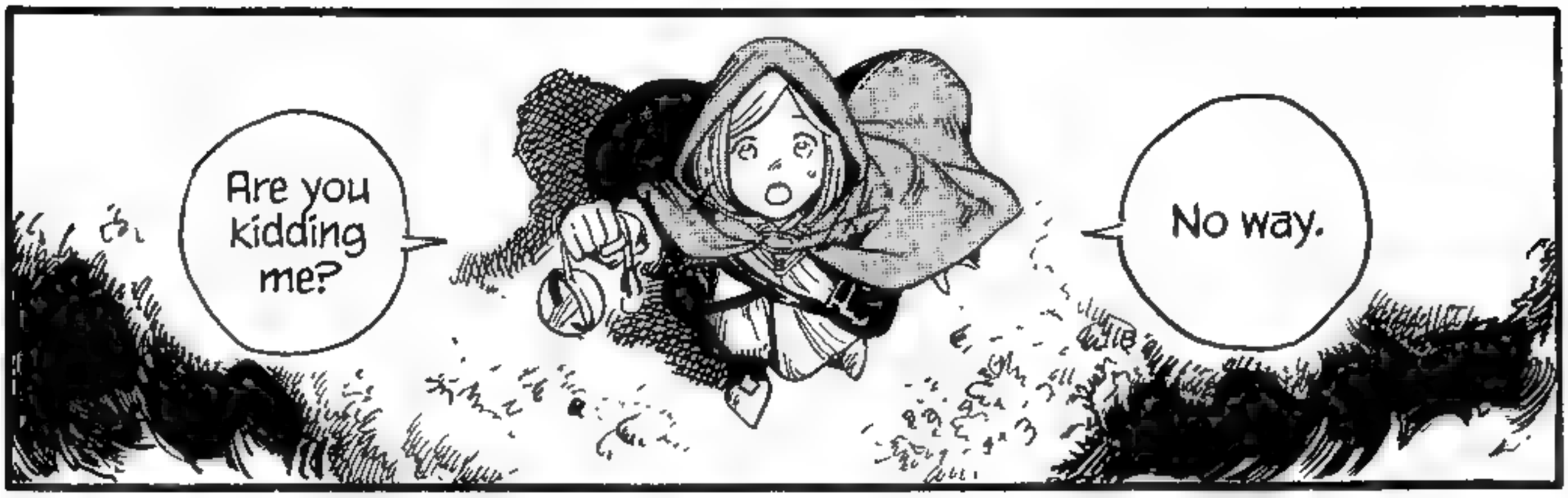
points this way.

After all, if a ten year-old can do it...

swing swing swing

ALRIGHT! I CAN CLIMB SOME MOUNTAINS NO SWEAT!

I CAN DO THIS!



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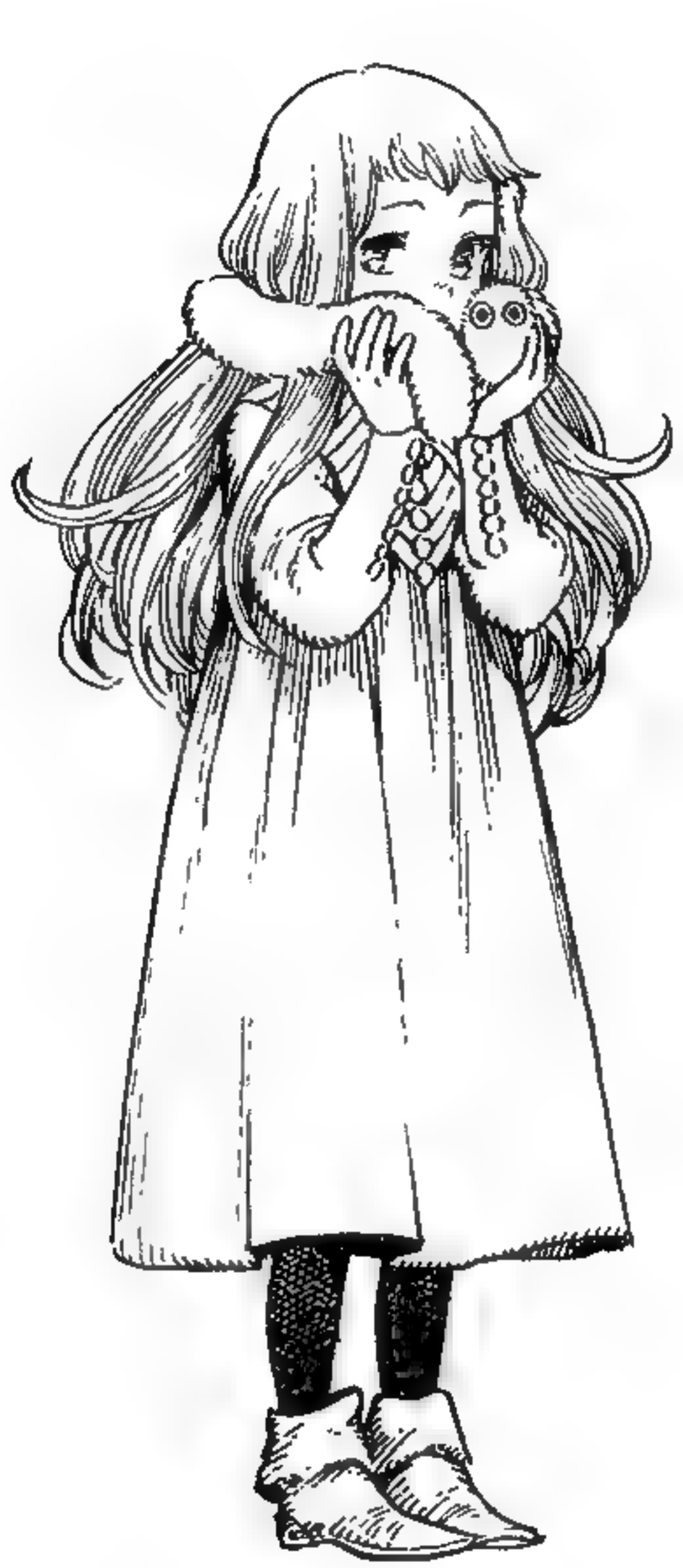

I must bring back the crown plant that grows at the peak of the Dada Mountains

to pass the test to become the disciple of a witch.

Oh! I've got just the thing!

TAP TAP

Yep, definitely up...

but how am I supposed to get up there?

The magic compass is point-ing up.

TAP TAP

Chapter 4

The shoes Agete lent me!

Ta-dah!

Put them together so they line up just right, and then...

Half of the glyph is drawn on each shoe.

Whoa.

Float

I'M JUST A BABY HORSE LEARNING TO WALK.

LIKE PROFESSOR QIFREY SAID...

I'm really floating!

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Wow! This is *so* cool!

Slip

WHOA!

Swerve

WHOA!

WHOA!

Swerve

You'll get used to them soon enough!

I'll get used to them soon.

Wooble

Wooble

I'll get used to them soon.

....

Wooble

Wooble

But if I can fly, then I'll reach the peak in no time at all!

Okay! I can do this!

I think I'm starting to get the hang of this!

Just a little further...

GR

AB

SPRONG

WHOA!

WHOA!

WHOA!

Nbee!

AUGH!

Splat

AHH HHH HH!

SPLASH

.....

!

Nbee!

Brushbug

A small animal covered in brush-like hair. It tends to be attracted to the smell of magic ink.

It must have been attracted by the magic.

A brush-bug! This is the first time I've seen one.

Ugh... my shoes are all covered in mud too...

Sigh.....

Wipe

Wipe

SPLASH

Blergh...

NO WAY! IS IT BECAUSE I WIPED IT?!

NO, NO, NO! OH! I'LL DRAW IT BACK ON AND FIX IT!

THE GLYPH GOT WASHED AWAY?!

HUH?!

ALL SPILLED OUT...

This is SO bad!

THE MAGIC INK INSIDE

There's nothing I can do!

Eyaaah! No way!

Nbee...

What am I going to do?

This is awful...

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Yes, sir.

I'll leave it to you.

Here is my request.

The auditorium is *the* stronghold for witches.

All necessities gathered together in one spot.

You could even bring your disciples here if you wanted.

You wouldn't have to go out of your way just to pick that up if you lived here.

Sir, here it is.

Thanks.

Well.

Then I will come only when it's necessary.

but keep an eye on those disciples of yours.

I can't do anything about you hiding yourself away in your atelier,

I see your hatred of the auditorium is deeply rooted.

Huh?

You never know what kids their age will get up to when there are no adults around.

She went to the Dada Mountains to take the test.

She's not here.

Have you seen Coco?

Hey, Agete.

but she's not answering when I call.

Think she's sleep-ing?

It's just about dinner time,

SHE JUST GOT TO THE ATELIER! WHY DIDN'T YOU STOP HER?!

SHE WENT ALONE?! THAT'S DANGER-OUS!

WHAT?!

!?

I-I guess so...

People normally take it before they come here, right?

If she can't even pass a simple test like that,

then she really has no business becoming a disciple.

There's nothing to gain from being with someone like her.

And she's an unknowing at that!

I detest those who can't even do as much as I can.

She's an outsider who doesn't know her place or understand the danger she's in.

She'll return in defeat whether or not you worry about her!

.....

When the tides rise, the Mountains float to the highest point they will reach all year.

Soar-shoes won't be enough to get her that high.

I'll make her wish she never set foot in our world.

I will, but...

Ngh.

Gobble Gobble

Not eating, Tetia?

Anguish

I CAN'T BE THE ONLY ONE WHO'S WORRIED!

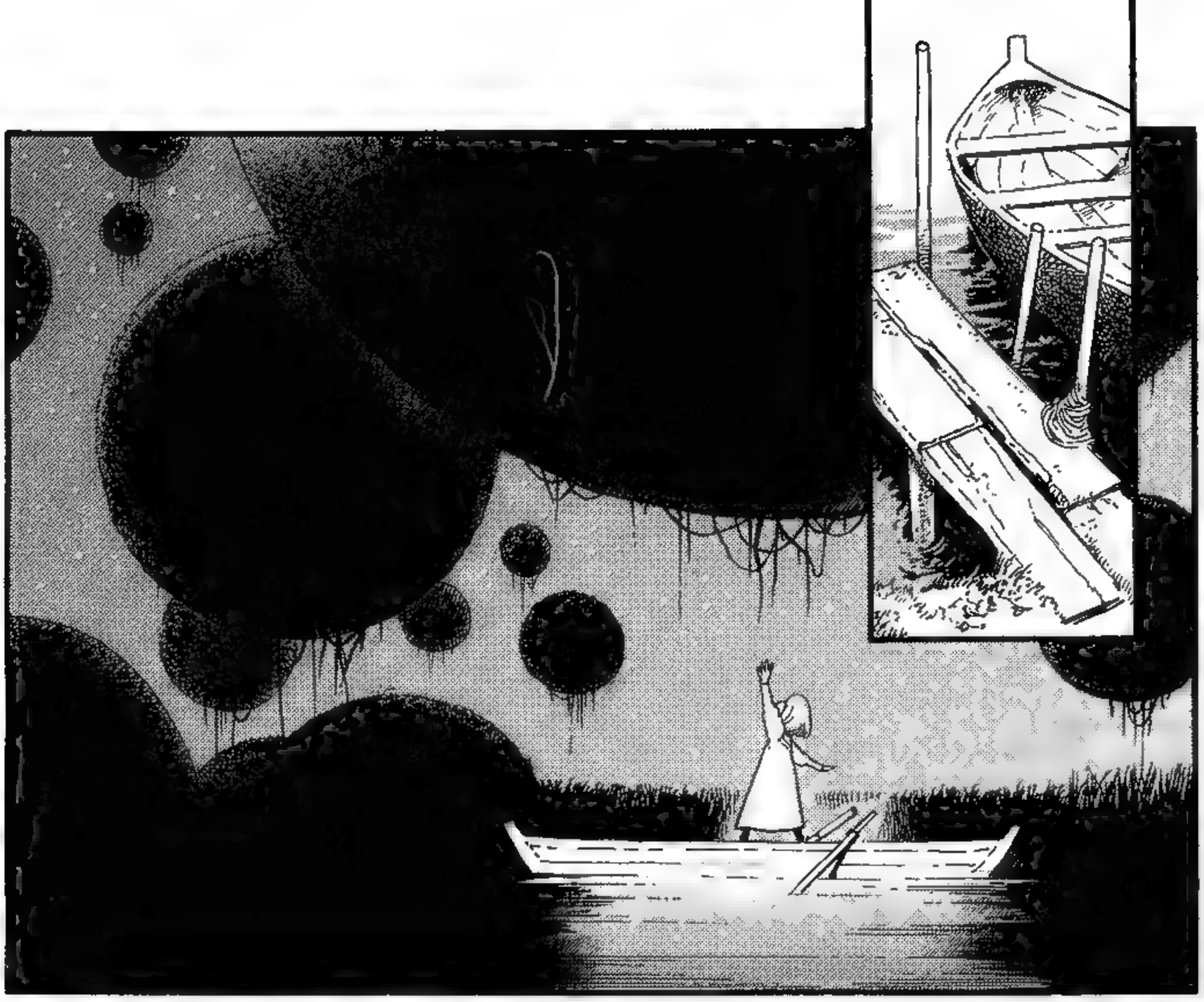
Sec-onds.

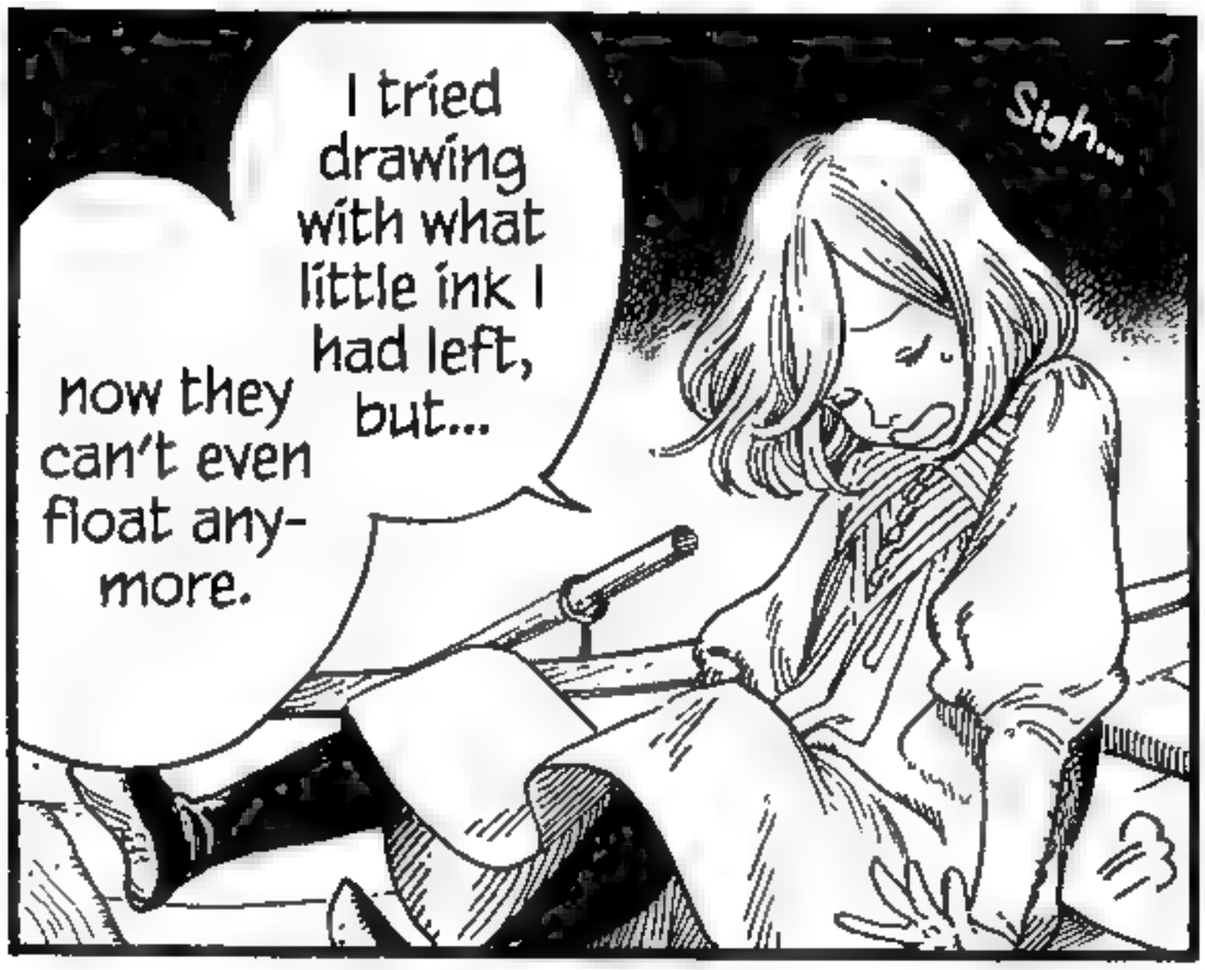
You're acting too normal, Riche!

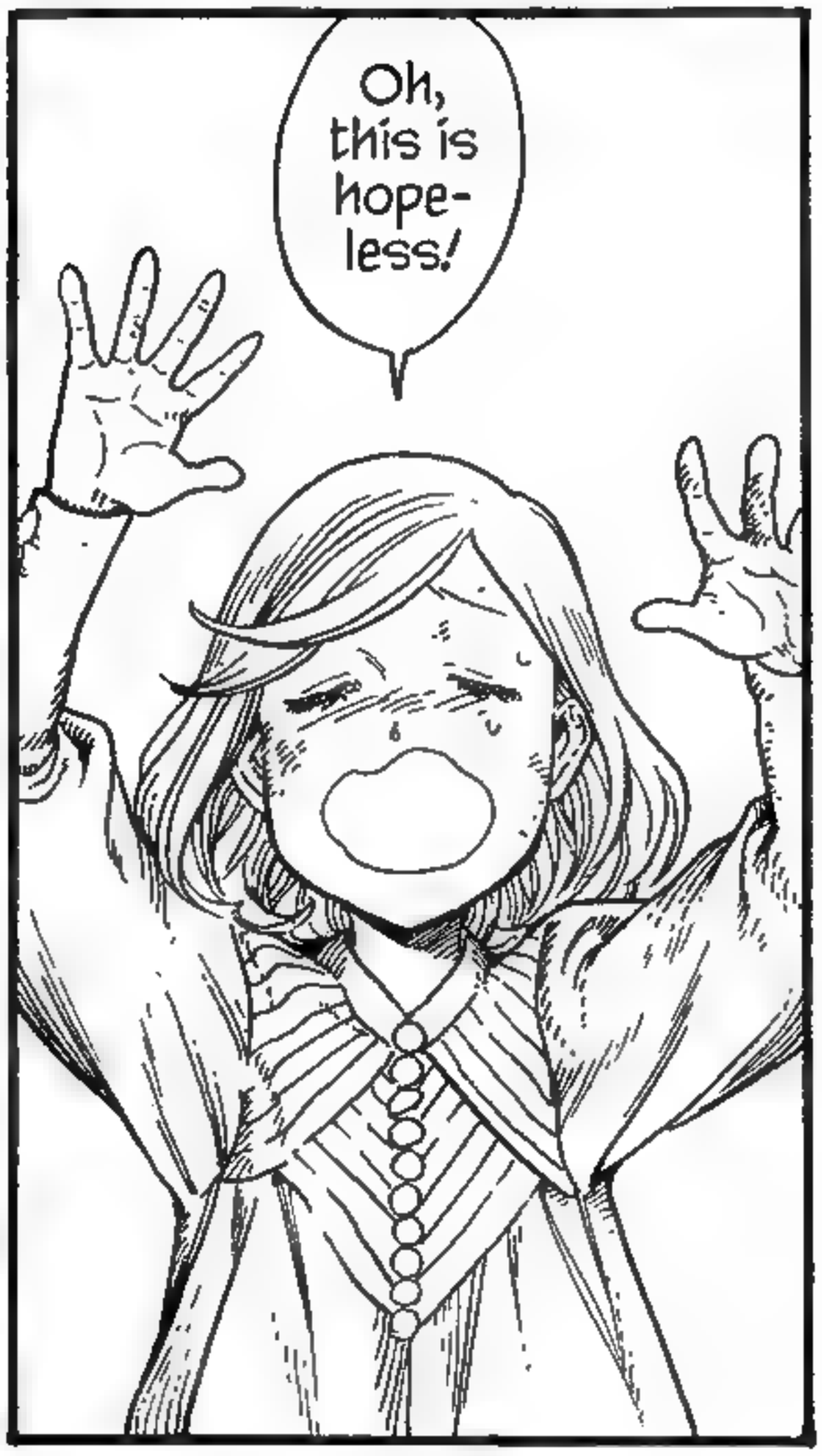
Bam Bam

I just...

feel awful, y'know...




I tried drawing with what little ink I had left, but...
Sigh...
now they can't even float anymore.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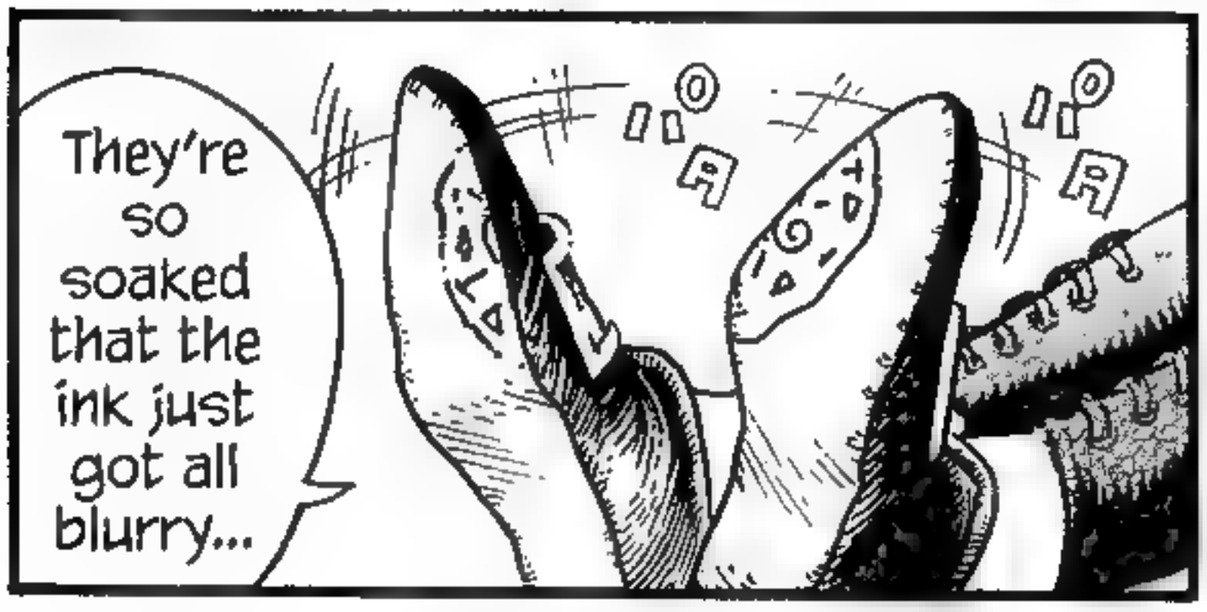

They're so soaked that the ink just got all blurry...

If I draw it right on the bottom of my feet, then I bet...

Any magic drawn directly on the body is forbid- den.

No!

Gulp

I have no idea what other kinda magic would be best to use in this kind of situation.

FLOP

Nbee!

NOOP

FLINCH

It's just like Agete said.

but that doesn't mean just anybody can be good at it.

Anybody can draw magic,

Everyone's been drawing magic since they were little.

What can I do?

To think, there are such marvelous artisans in this village!

Now **this** is magic.

Oh! I can use **my** magic!

I guess it's true.

Only people with certain special abilities can be witches.

and pointy little rock.

Search for a flat

パラ ラ ラッ

and then if you dip it in water and get it a bit wet...

tear off a piece big enough to wrap the stone in,

Take the ink-soaked pouch,

Painting Stone
A stone used by tailors to draw on cloth.

TUG

Now I can draw on it.

The mud drying on the cloak makes it stiff.

So then,

I'll just use a tool I'm already familiar with.

People's hands are always unsteady when they first use a new tool.

fly and dance

My finger-tips

so freely.

Chirp
Chirp
Chirp
Chirp
TUG
Okay!
Morning, brush-bug!
You're pretty bold, aren't you?!

so I'll try one super long keystone mark and see what it does!

DLN DAAK

but I learned that if one of the keystone marks is longer than the rest, too much power will go into it,

It's a super clumsy glyph, huh?

Normally, the rune should be right in the middle and the keystone marks should be placed evenly around it,

you wanna come along?

Nbee!

I see.

!

ooo

I don't know if it'll go well, but...

SHP

Then hold on tight!

Let's close the glyph!

SPRONG!

I'm flying using my own magic!

Sniff...

It work-ed!

I'm...

TUG

.....

A real flying carpet! This is like a dream!

I never knew everything I learned helping mom out at the shop could become magic that would save my life someday.

Please wait for me, Mom.

I'll take respon-sibility

ドサッ

for what I've done.

I'm home, Tetia.

PRO-FESSOR QIFREY!

IT'S TERRIBLE! COCO, SHE...

WHAT?!

COCO WENT TO THE DADA MOUNTAINS ALONE TO TAKE THE TEST?!

Nod Nod

IT'S TOO DANGER-OUS!

WE MUST STOP HER NOW!

BUT SHE'LL FAIL IF WE INTERRUPT THE TEST!

IT'S MUCH TOO EARLY FOR HER TO TAKE THE TEST AT ALL!

MAGIC WASN'T PART OF HER LIFE FROM THE DAY SHE WAS BORN LIKE IT WAS FOR US!

I'd lose more than just a student; I'd lose my only lead...

If anything happens to her...

Okay, the window is connected!

CLA

NK

Oh?

COCO!

WE WERE SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU!

Agete.

HUG

OH, COCO!

I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!

I brought back "The King's Permis-sion"!

.....

Here's my proof.

SPIN

Coco.

!

.....

It's extremely dangerous to use magic recklessly when you don't have the proper foundation of knowledge and aren't prepared for whatever might happen.

You of all people should know better, Coco.

Wilt

More-over, there is no need to prove anything by braving the dangers of the test.

SHF

I'm sorry, Professor Qifrey.

One misstep could have meant death.

Never, ever do that again.

You already *are* my disciple.

It's....!

It's a symbol of pride,

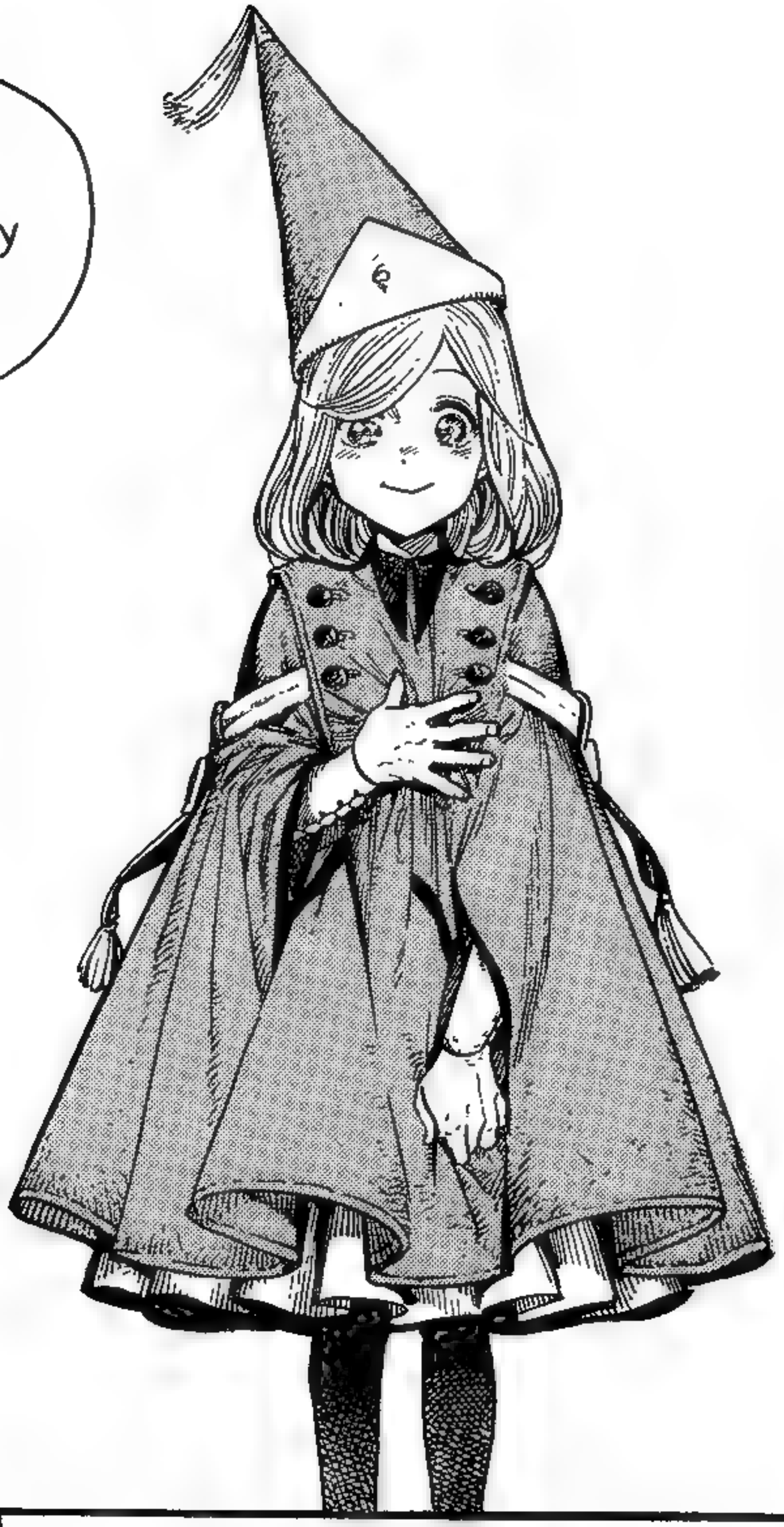
proof you're a witch,

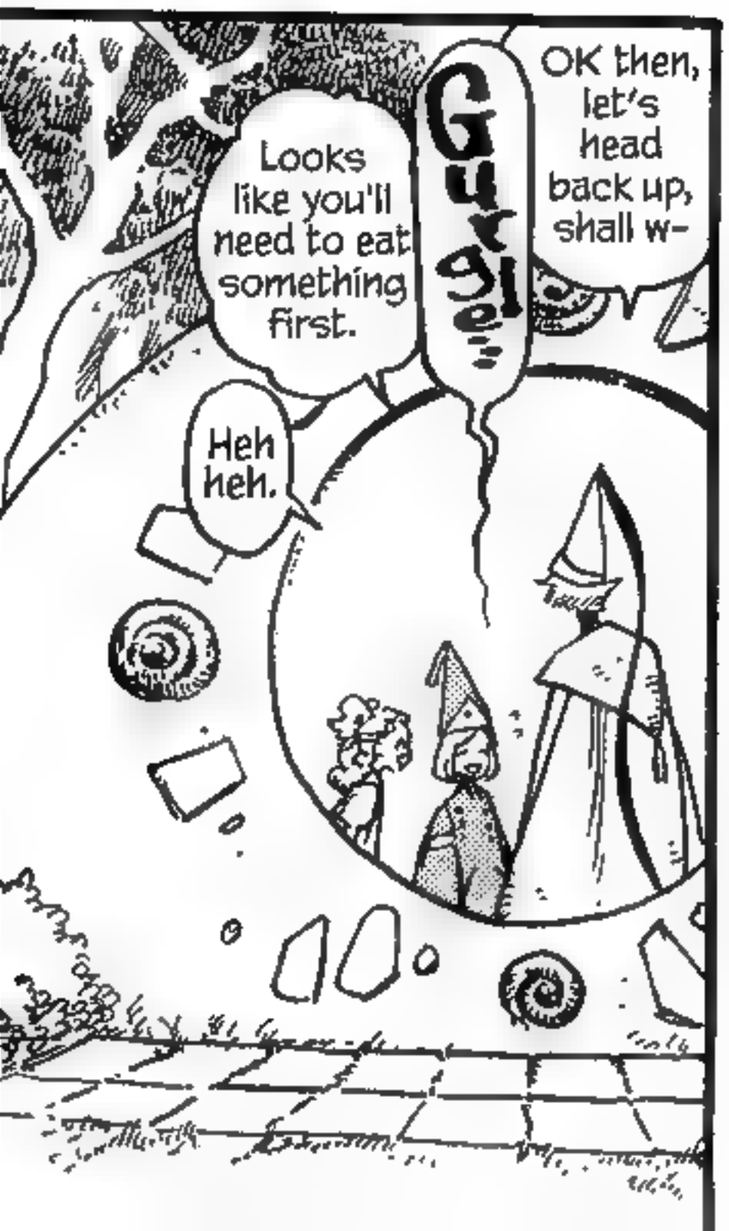
and something that binds you to a promise

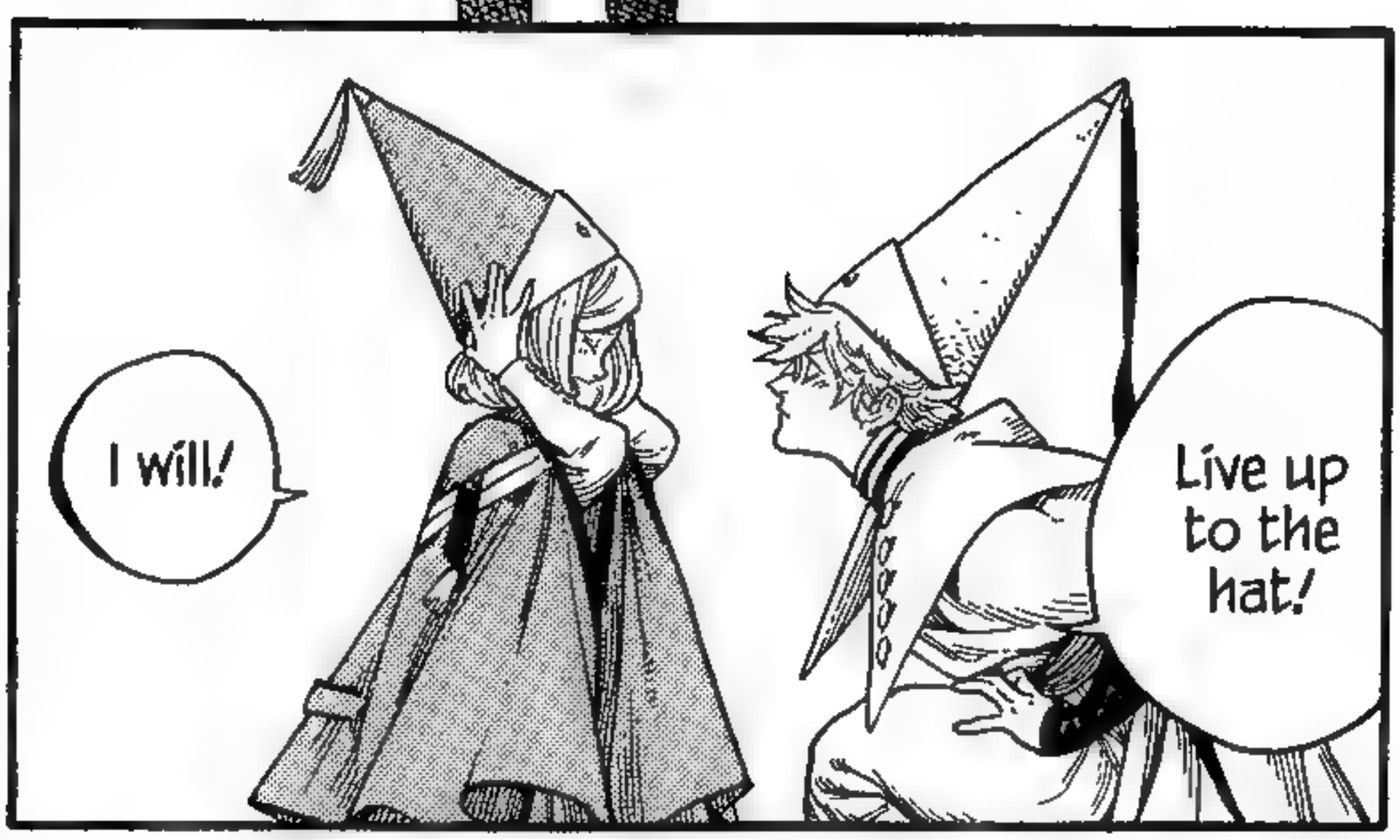
not to misuse magic.

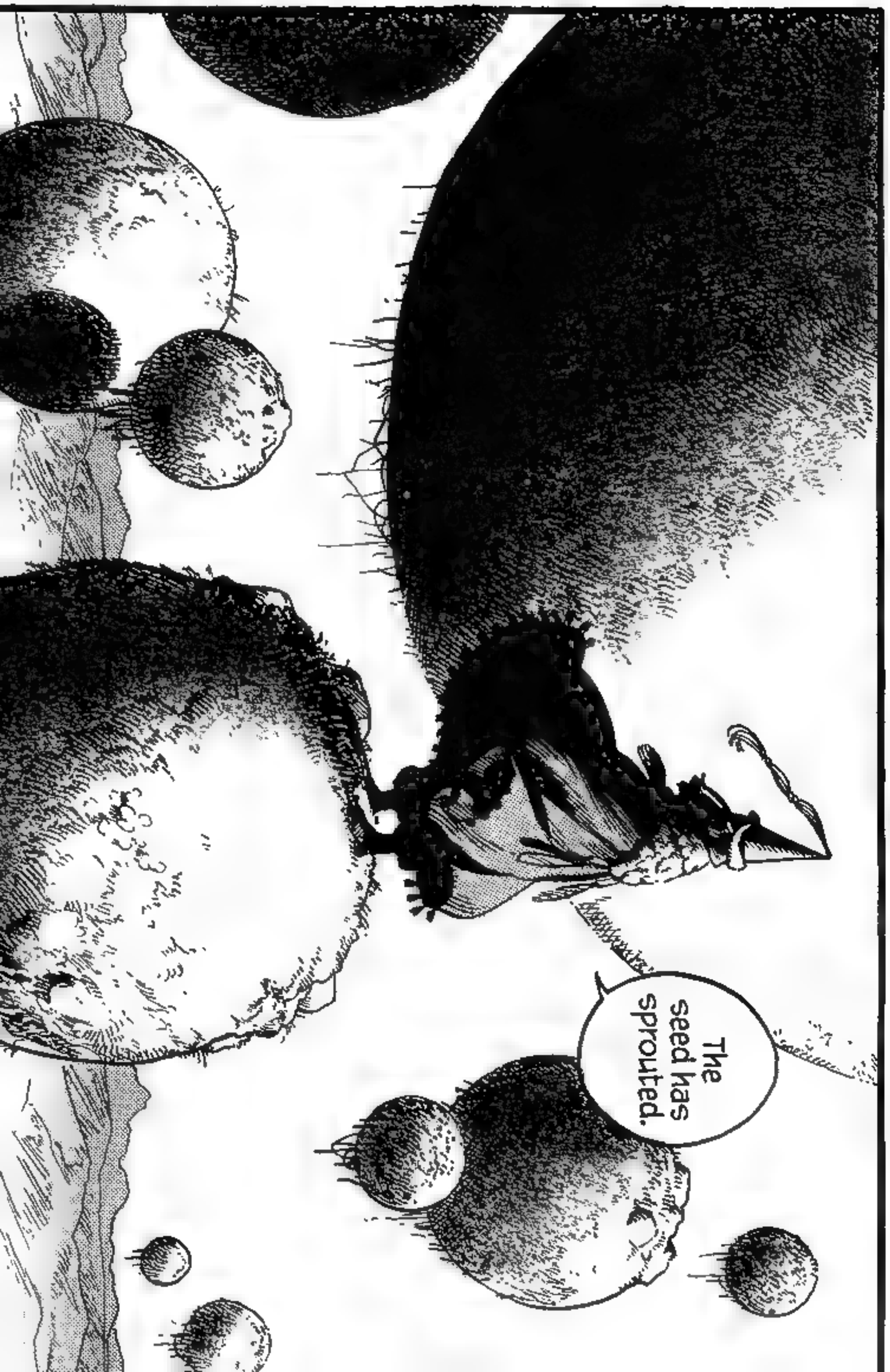
Never forget that weight as long as you wear it.

This pointy hat watches over your magic.





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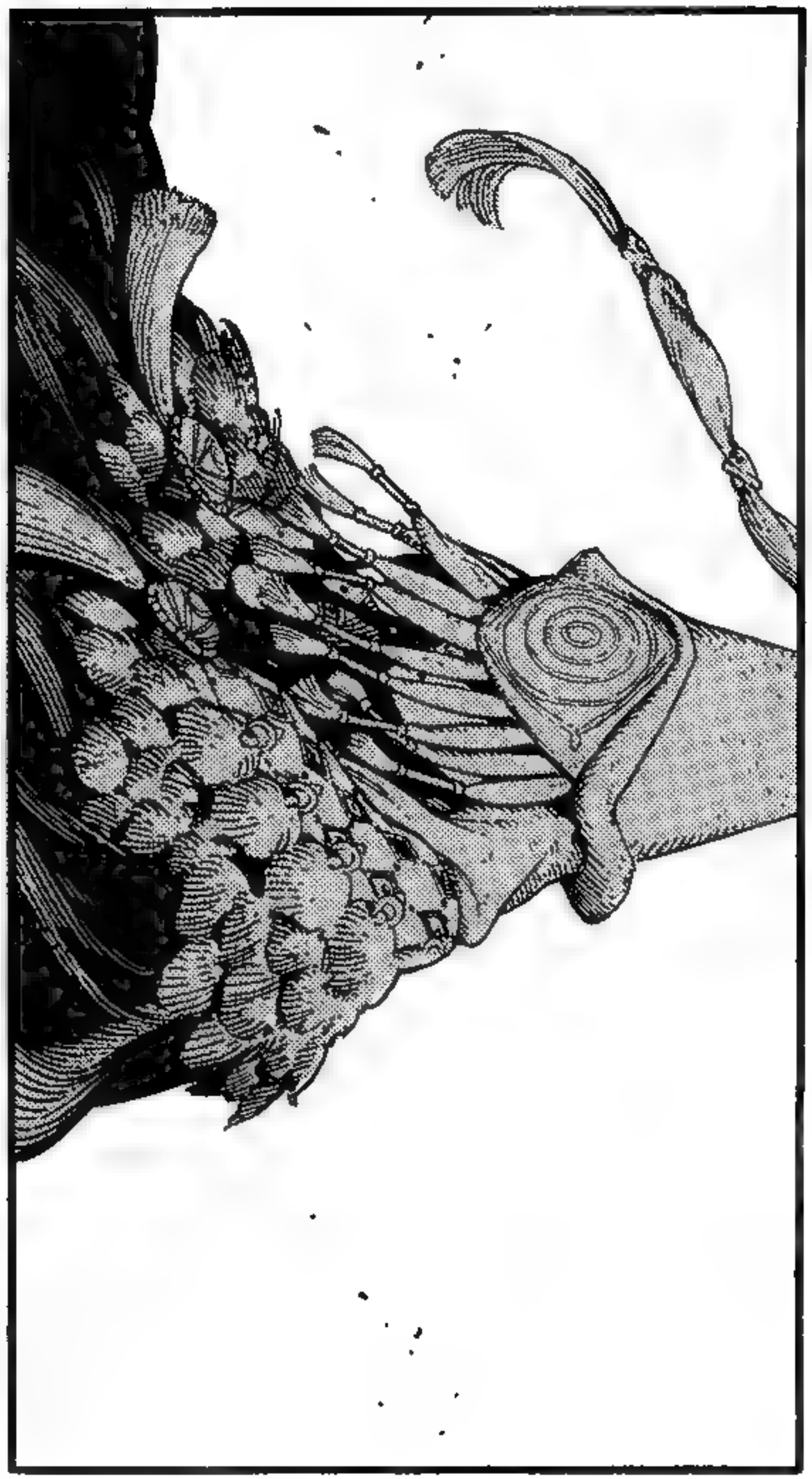

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とんがり帽子のアトリエ

ATELIER OF WITCH HAT

Witches group the numerous magical runes that exist into the following four basic categories

Power runes, which make it possible to move and transform boulders to sand and back again. (Old name: "earth runes".)

Float runes, which gave birth to progress and made it possible to travel to lands that your feet could not reach (Old name: "wind runes".)

Water runes, which satiate all and control the source of life that flows through everything

And lastly, fire runes, which became the sword and shield of the people.

Fire runes in particular require attention and care as they involve a natural, formless phenomena

which can grow dangerous if a precise balance and moderation in size is not kept.

IT'S BURNING!

Y-you okay?

BLOOSH

But... what were you doing, Coco?

Thanks for saying thanks!

STAGGER

Thanks, Tetia.

SPUTTER

I was drawing fire magic.

but if you can get the fire to float about the paper, it'll last longer. That'll make it good practice for your float magic."

O

"If you cast it as is, the paper will burn up with the glyph

X

TWIST

is what Professor Qifrey told me, but...

GLOW

...it wasn't stable, so sparks flew out and started a fire.

WHEEEEEEEE

Zoom-shoom!

Just go like, woosh!

so what's so hard about float magic now?

You beat the Dada Mountains in no time at all

FLOAT

FLOAT

I really messed up the soarboots Agete lent me.

I used to repair shoes for travellers that came by.

WOAH! WOW! THESE LOOK BRAND-NEW!

I thought I'd return them after I fixed them up properly.

You want one that's the right weight and easy to hold, one that's compatible with you.

but no matter how much I try, the lines are all shaky...

The only thing that's left is to draw the glyph on the bottom

LEAN

Maybe that pen isn't a good match for you.

The pen I gave you earlier was one of my old ones.

It would be best for you to see for yourself and choose.

That settles it!

Let's go

to the magical art supply shop!

What are you saying? Am I dreaming?

Uh, Coco?

Please just give me a moment to let it sink in...

Fwaah!

Haah

Haah

Wahaha...

Magical art supply shop?!

M-!

Karoon, the town of Mudforest

WOOW!

Karoon is the biggest town of witches near us.

There are so many witches here!

This island in the middle of the lake was built around the tower, which was in turn made to keep watch

and protect the town from the molesnakes that live in the mudforest on the opposite shore.

Since witches built the tower, other witches gathered and built an atelier town around it

In Professor Mode

and to this day a bridge to the other side still hasn't been built!

Professor Qifrey.

Coco's off in dream-land.

Glow

Oh, that's...

Over there!

What's that?!

There's witches and more witches,

everywhere I look! This is like a dream...

GLANCE

GLANCE

Excuse me.

Let's all meet at the magical supplies shop before we leave, okay?

Oh... sure.

It's just going to be a waste of time for me to stay here while Coco plays tourist....

I'm going ahead.

There are shops I want to go to, too.

See you later, then.

.....

Uh.

Um, well...

Getting along well with Agete?

I'd like to become better friends with her if I can.

When I took a peek at the magic she drew,

It was so delicate and beautiful.

How is that "witches for you"?

Got it! That's witches for you!

I do wonder...

There's no correlation between magical ability and a good personality...

CREEP

If she can draw such beautiful magic, then she must have a beautiful heart, too!

It's better for you if you don't get your hopes up...

CHATTER!

CHATTER

BABBLE

BABBLE

CHATTER

BABBLE

GASP!

Just my imagination?

Mmh. Nothing.

Coco? What's wrong?

Go on in.

This is the magical supplies shop, "Sword of Stars"!

WOW...

Over here, Coco.

Huh.
A witch disciple who's never seen a silver tree?

There's a tree right in the middle of the shop...

It hasn't been long since Coco here became a disciple, Mr. Nornoa.

No need to say that.

You don't know about something as basic as a silver tree?

Then of course you wouldn't know.

Forgive me, lass.

WA HA HA HA HA

LEAN

OHOH!

So you're the one...

This is Mr. Nornoa.

He runs this shop!

I didn't know who you were either, so let's call it even!

Pens, ink, we'll do whatever you want!

And we can make the ink as dense as you like!

Quite right.

All the magical items here were made by me and my grandson, Tartar.

What is... "dense"?

She hasn't been with us long, you see.

Just because you look stylish with those cool glasses and that poofy hair doesn't mean you can slack off.

You've been slacking on the job, Qifrey!

Stylish...

?

Okay!

I'll show you someone. Come on, come with me.

GOOD?

Com-
ing.

Here's a branch that's become stained black just right.

SNAP

Watch closely now.

PLONK

6

This is "sap"!

Huh?

It turned black!

SHF

Right now, this is poisonous to both tree and human,

but after it's been boiled and the excess water removed...

GLUG

The branches are silver while healthy, but grow stained black after death.

but magic ink is different.

Normal ink is made from wood soot,

BLUB

...you get raw magic. It turns to pure magic ink.

That's why when it comes to magic, these are very important trees.

It is made from the tree's very blood.

the tree offered up its blood as magic ink and its branches as wands.

Legend says that long, long ago, a silver tree fell in love with a witch...

THAT'S RIGHT! THE WAND!

That's right! It's strange, but it can't be harvested from other trees.

Yes.

Came to buy a wand, did you?

Hoho!

You should find a wand that's just right for you.

Then let me give you a sample to write with.

Come on, Coco!

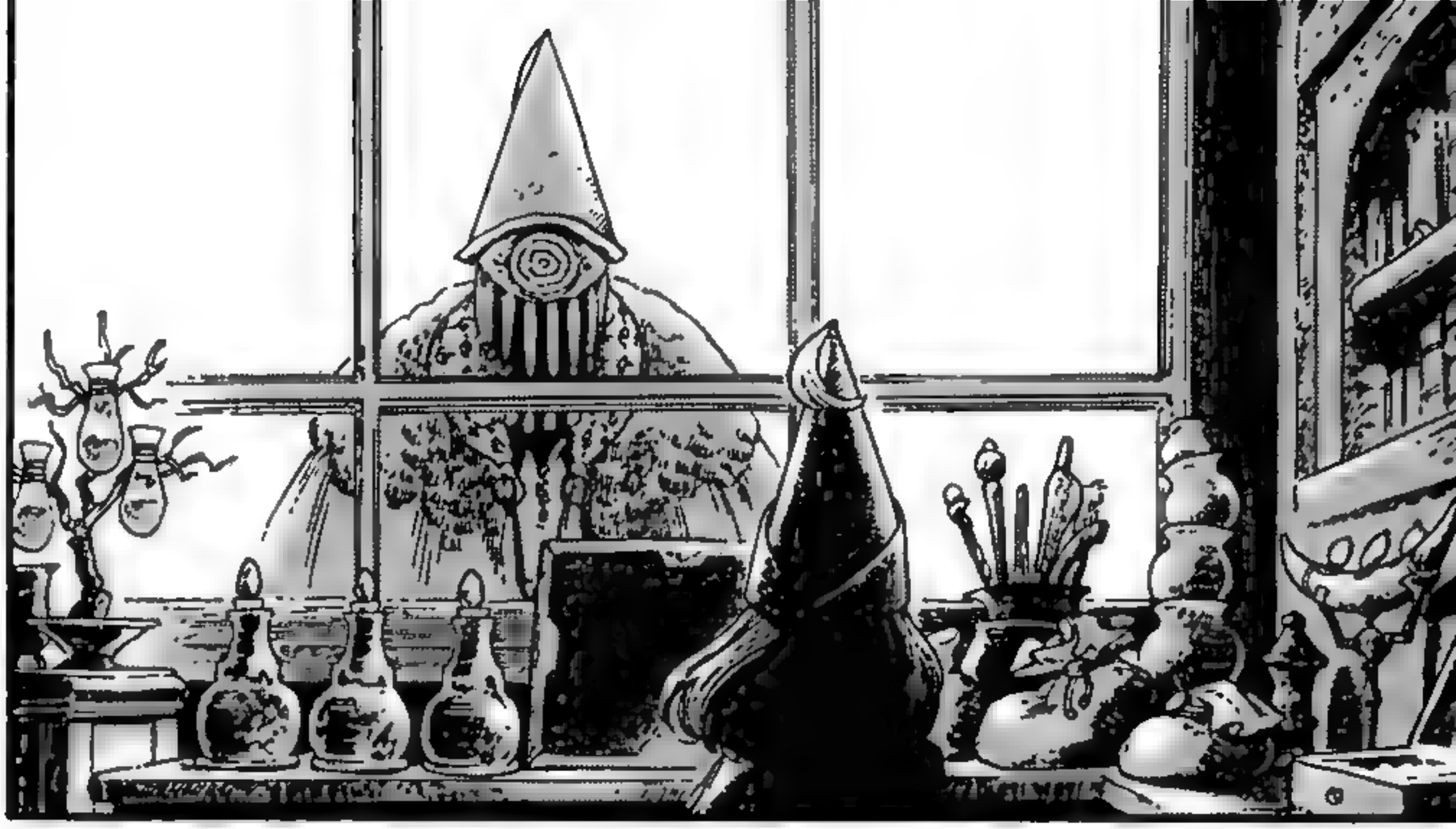
Okay!

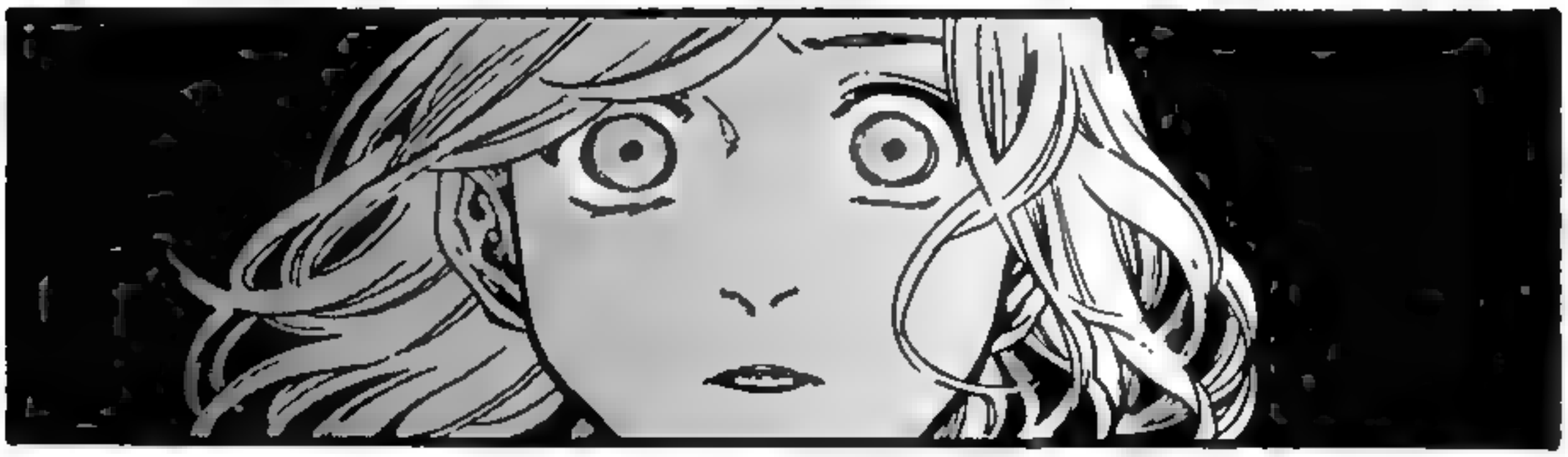
We'll head down to the shop, Professor!

Oh yes, Mr. Nornoa, I have some paper I'd like to order while we're at it...

I wonder what kind of wand you'll get?

I like light-weight wands!





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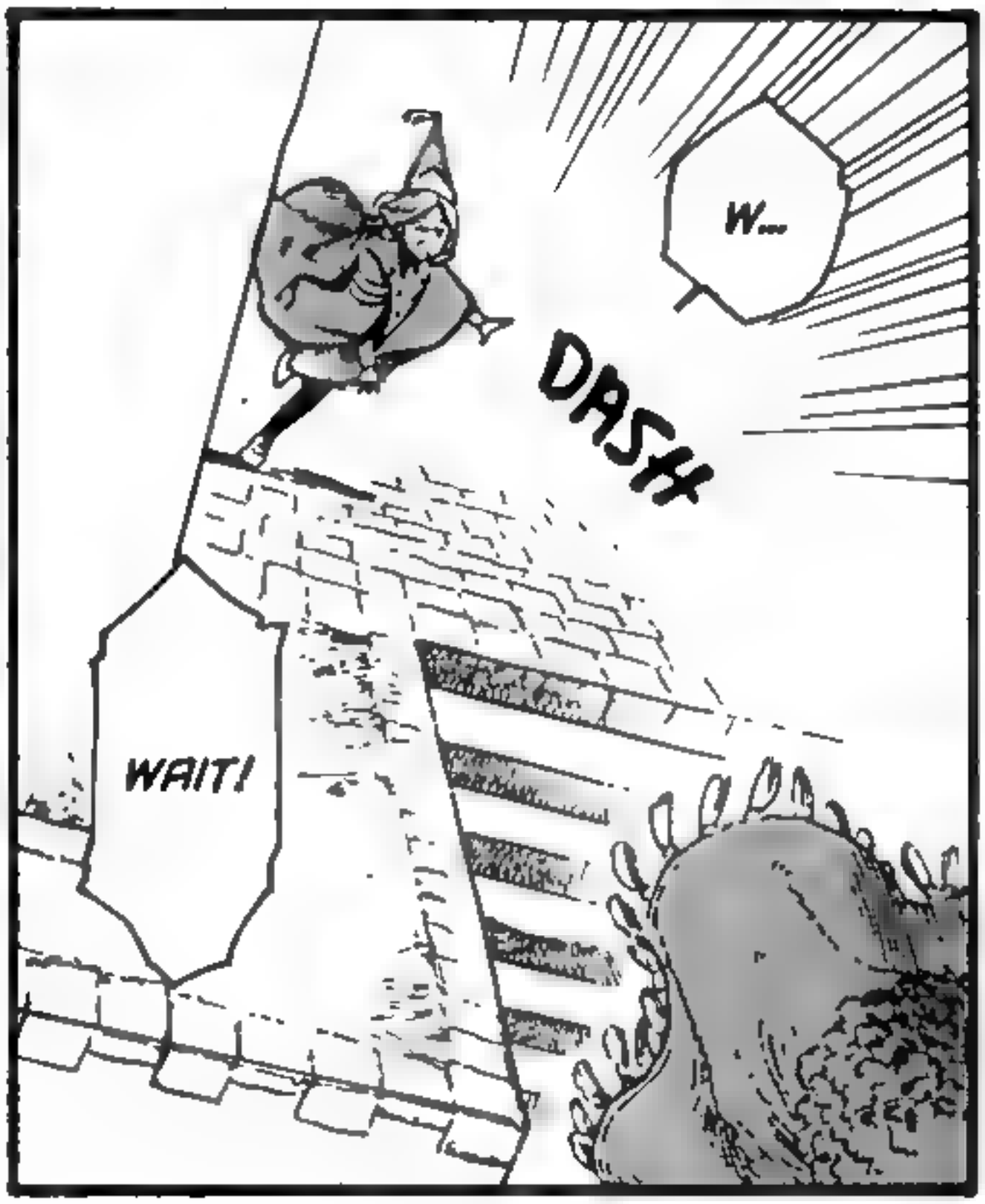
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DASH
WAIT!

I'm looking for a sole to use for soar-shoes.

My size, but not made of wood...

AGETE! DID COCO COME THIS WAY?!

What the?

TMP TMP

Watch it!

Hold on!

COME ON, AGETE! WE GOTTA CATCH HER!

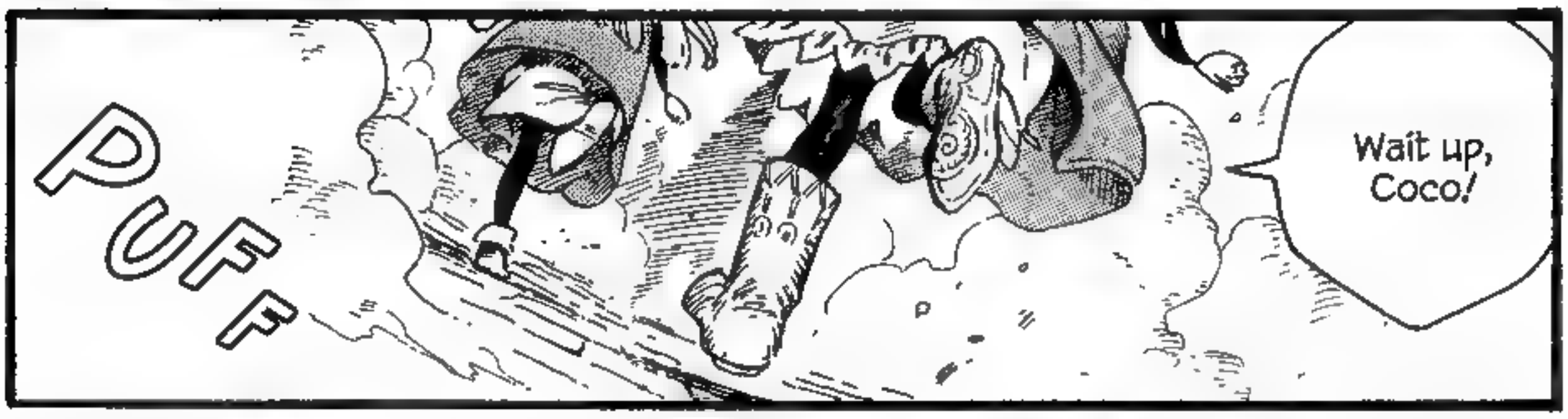
I dunno! She just suddenly ran off...

What's going on?

WHEEZE- WHEEZE-

Why do I have to go?!

WAIT!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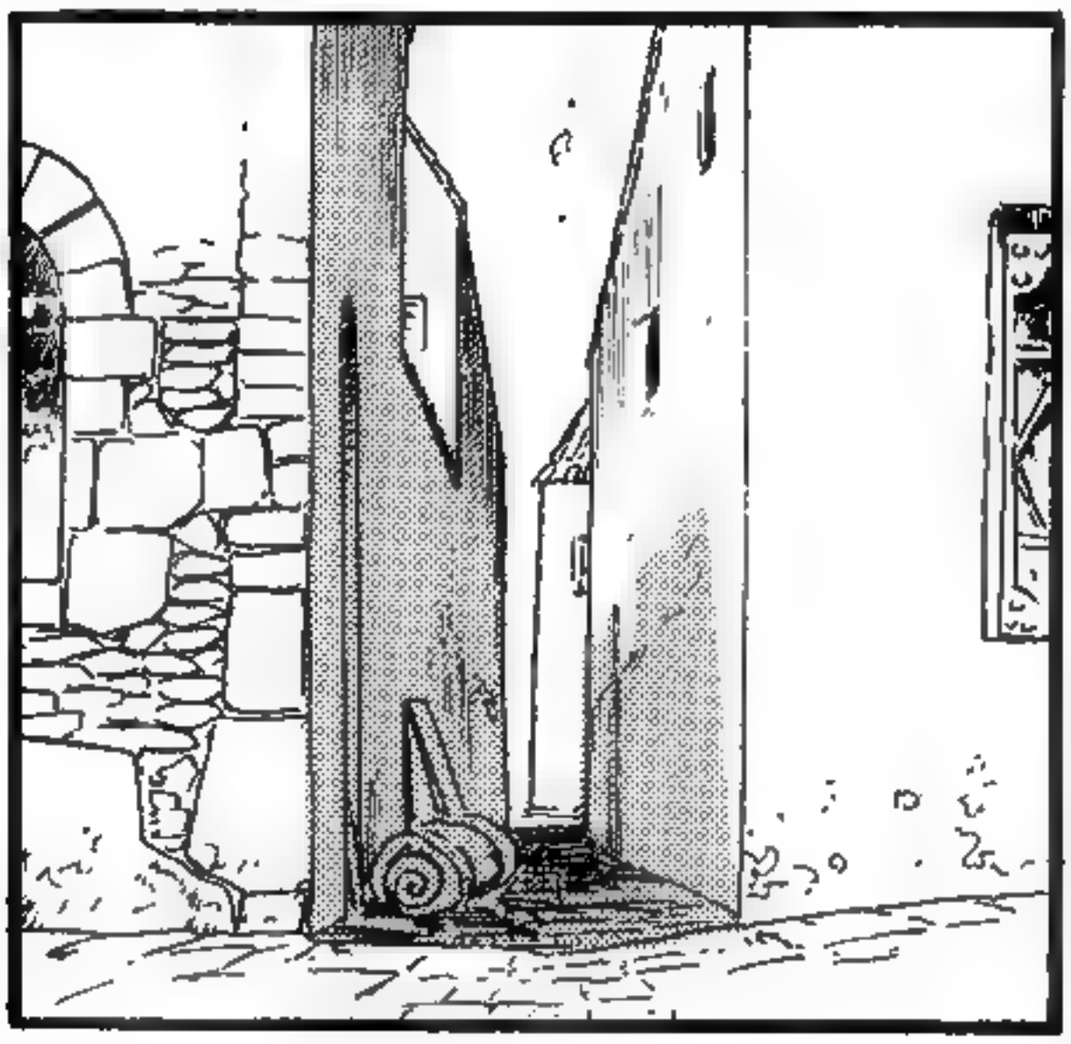

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING, COCO?!

JUST WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!

!

The witch who sold me the forbidden magic picture book...

I SAW THE WITCH!

But at least you didn't get lost!

Let's go back to the shop, okay?

Sheesh. You're so trouble-some.

He's not here...

SHHH

Hey.

WHAT?

You're right.

but the town's changed so much...

We only went down this one alley,

The landscape is completely different.

There are no white stone walls or streets like this in Karoon. Which means...

We couldn't have come that far...

Maybe we just got lost while we were running.

SHF

Huh? Where are we?

So which road did we come down?

It's

It's not that simple! We didn't pass through a gate window so we couldn't have teleported anywhere!

We must've just wandered down some unfamiliar street!

...this isn't Karoon?

You mean we're just lost?

Not that part.

...What Tetia said does make sense.

I'll take a look from the sky!

Tetia!

Forbidden magic.

Teleportation magic must have been cast on our bodies without our knowledge.

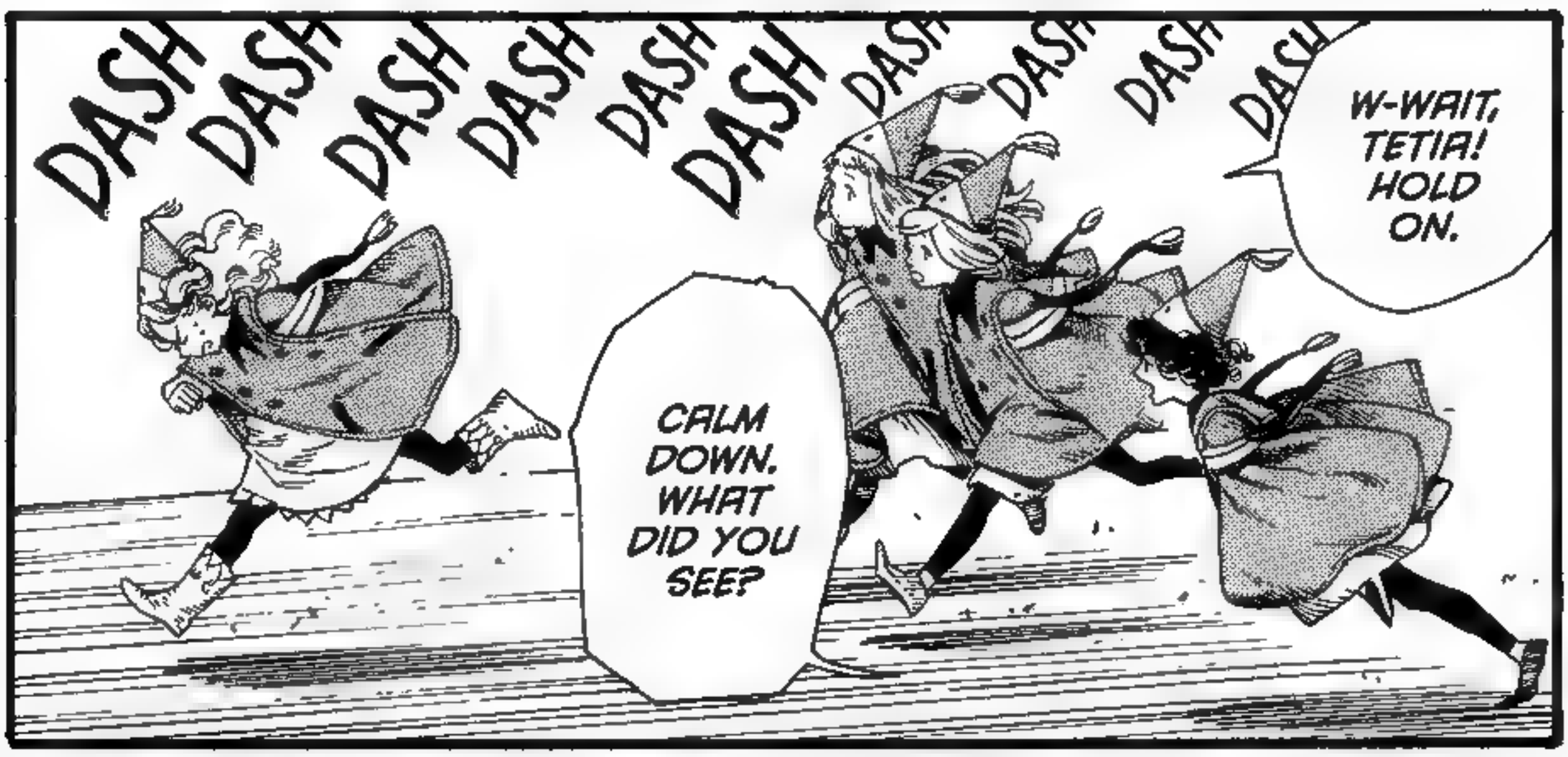
Huh? But isn't that magic bad?

I mean, it's...

TETIA?! WHAT'S WRONG?!

EEK!!!

GR
AB
HURRY, RUN!
OH NO, OH NO! THIS IS BAD!
THIS ISN'T KAROON AT ALL!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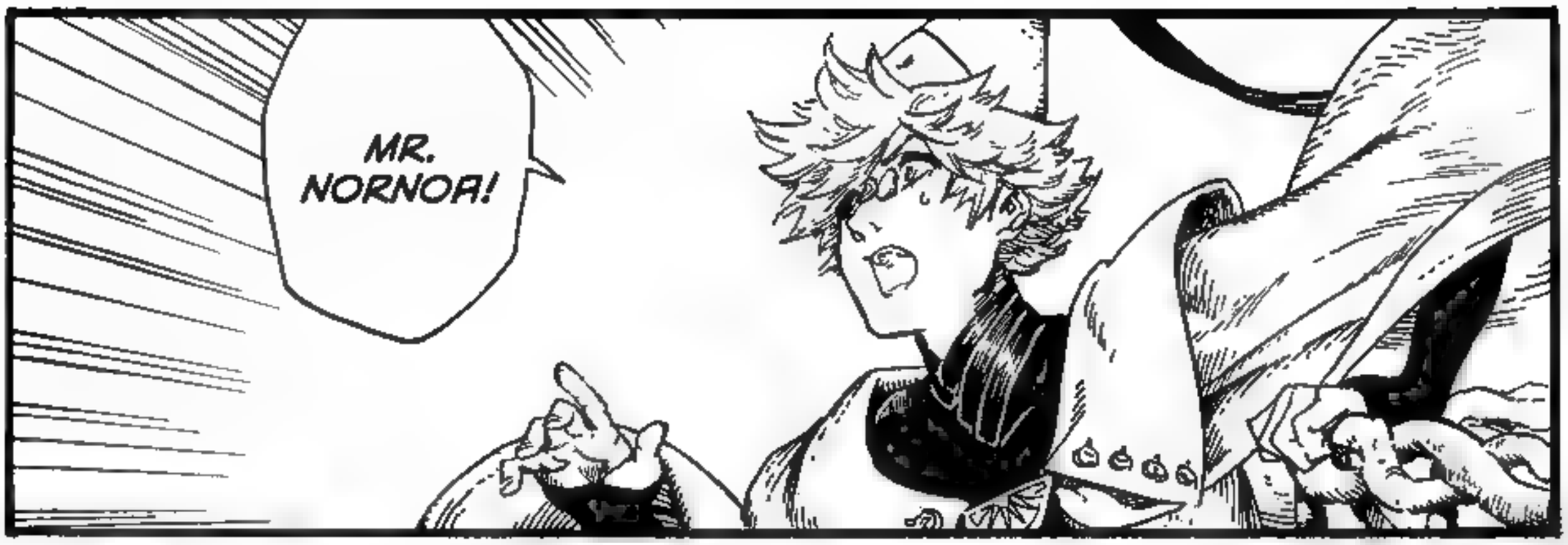
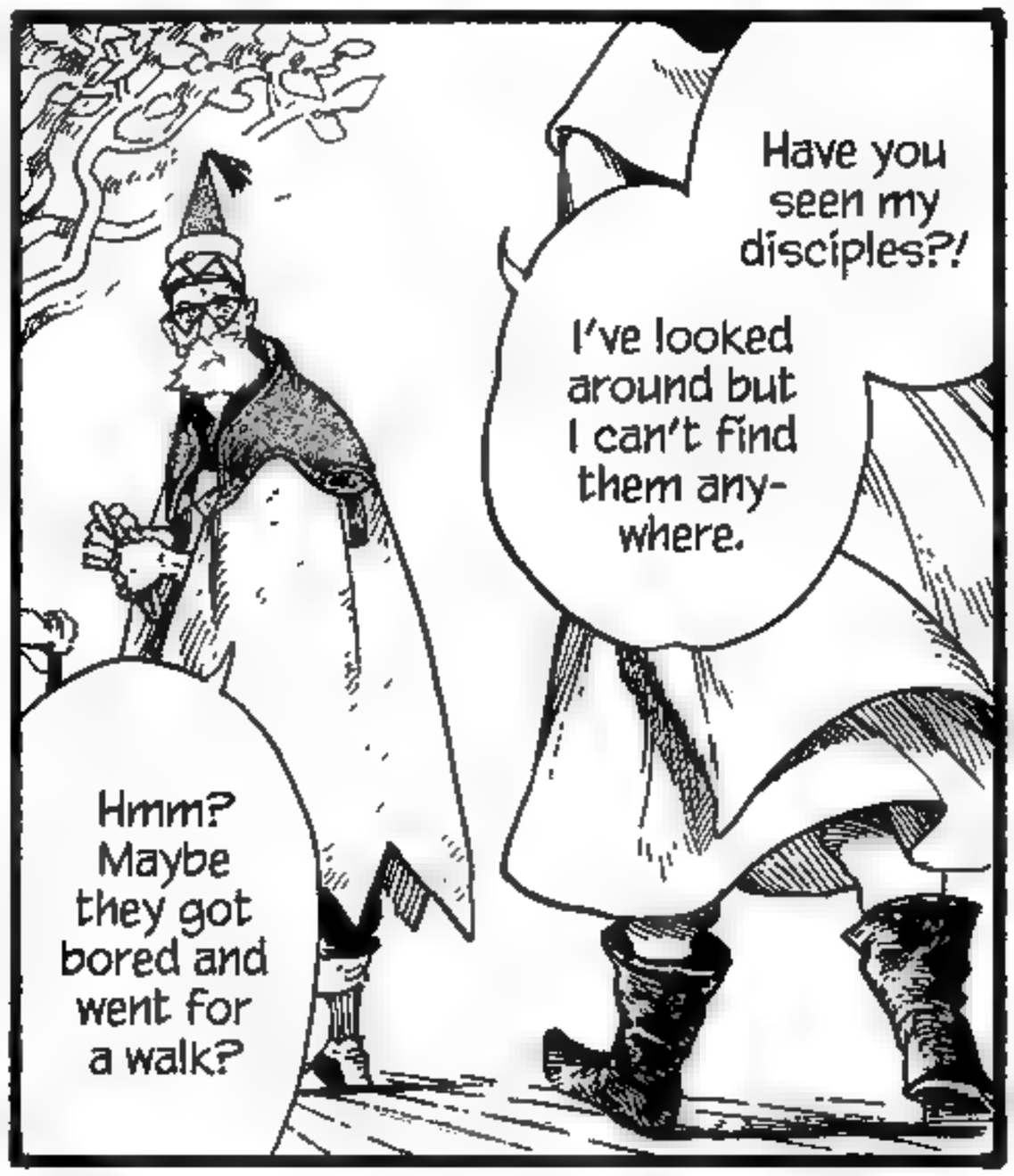
W-WAIT, TETIA! HOLD ON.
CALM DOWN. WHAT DID YOU SEE?

What in the world are you talking abo-?

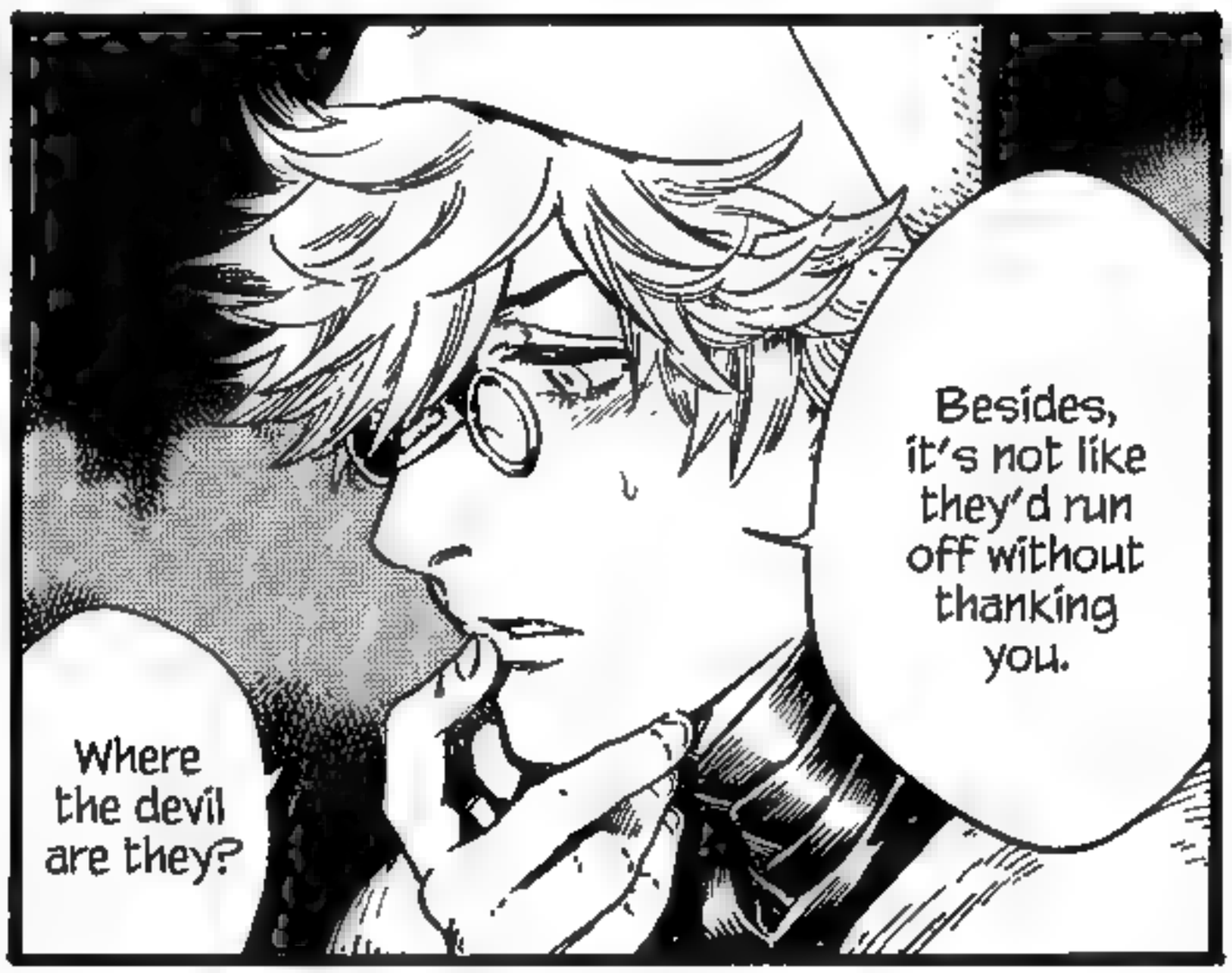
IT'S WHAT SAW ME!
IT'S NOT WHAT I SAW,


MR. NORNOA!

THEY COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN BORED! THIS IS THE MOST INTERESTING SHOP EVER!
Shucks, you're making me blush.
I COULD LOOK AT STUFF HERE ALL DAY!


Have you seen my disciples?!
I've looked around but I can't find them anywhere.
Hmm? Maybe they got bored and went for a walk?

I just saw them...


Where the devil are they?
Besides, it's not like they'd run off without thanking you.

I'm pretty sure

he was wearing a mask like a big eye.

They ran out chasing this weird-looking witch.

Ah, well.

That's life.

I don't have any business with the other children...

Here you are, Coco.

Welcome to the world of magic.

Witch Hat Atelier Volume 1 End

魔法陣入門

魔法陣のルールをまとめました。
わからなくなったらこのページを読んでみてください。

魔法陣を構成する3つの要素

紋（もん）

中央に描かれる。
紋の種類で魔法の
効果が決まる。

例

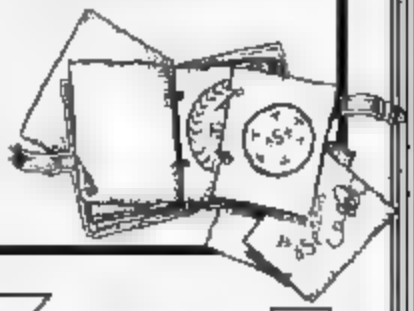
矢（や）

紋の周りに描かれる。
魔法が現れる形、
大きさ、方向を決める。

例

陣（じん）

紋と矢を囲う円。
陣を閉じると
魔法が発動する。



具体的な魔法陣例

飛靴の裏の魔法陣

左右の靴裏を合わせると、
安定した状態で空を飛ぶことができる。

ダダ山脈で使った魔法陣

紋が中央からずれていて
一本の矢が長く描かれているので、
瞬間的に強い魔法を発動した。

ココがアトリエで描いた魔法陣

一本だけ矢が長かったため
アガットを水浸しにしてしまった。
ちなみに、キ　フリ　は
水の魔法が得意で
「水の花」を作ったりもできる。

ココがはじめて描いた魔法陣

小さく明滅する光が発現した。
禁止魔法の書から
描き写したため、
本来の効果は謎。

とんがり帽子の世界

ココたちが住んでいる世界のことを、少しだけご紹介します。

ココのいた村

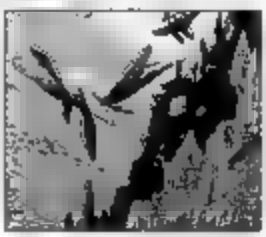
山のふもとにある、田舎の小さな村。魔法を利用した道具も多少はあるが、都会ほどではない。ココの家は仕立て屋を営んでおり、ココは幼少期から家業を手伝っていた。

キーフリーのアトリエ

ココの村から少し離れたところに、ポツンと建っている。大講堂に籍を構える魔法使いも多いが、キーフリーはなぜか田舎に住んでいる。

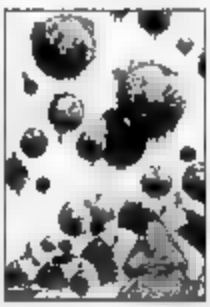
大講堂

力のある魔法使いたちが集う魔法機関。海の底に建てられているので、たどり着くためには海上にある入り口から階段を降りて深く潜る必要がある。



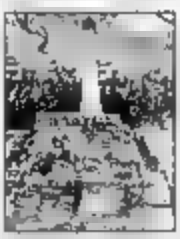
ダダ山脈

魔法使いの弟子になるための試験が行われる場所。大昔に描かれた魔法で、山々が空中に浮いている。試験合格に必要な王冠草は、ここにしか生えていない。



カルン

キーフリーのアトリエからアクセスしやすい、魔法使いの街。小島の上にあり、魔法の道具を作る職人など、魔法に従事する人間だけが住んでいる。



魔法使いになれるのは、選ばれし者だけなのか――？

異常事態に不安と苛立ちを募らせるティアとアガット。
そんな彼女たちを目の当たりにし、
巻き添えにしてしまった罪悪感で苦しむココ。
「『知らざる者』の自分が魔法使いになろうだなんて、
間違ってたのかな……？」
追い詰められた状況で、四人のとんがり帽子たちが出した答え――

ウェブでもアプリでも! 電子で読むモーニング。

週刊Dモーニング

Dモーニングとは…

雑誌「モーニング」の
人気連載の電子版。
毎週木曜日0時に最新号を自動配信。
有料会員登録後の号は
すべてバックナンバーに追加されるなど
電子ならではの楽しみかたもたくさん！

あなたの[illegible]で
毎週「モーニング」をお楽しみください!!

※一部、紙のモーニングとは内容が異なります

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